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NOTIFICATION NO. 5081

ANNUAL MEETING OF RATEPAYERS

RESOLUTIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in addition to the Resolutions to be brought forward, as published in Notification No. 5072, the following will be proposed at the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers on April 19:—

Resolution VIII—That the Secretary be instructed to convey to the Chairman and Members of the Special Committee of Business Men an expression of thanks and appreciation for their most valuable services to the Council in connection with their Report on Municipal Staff Exchange Adjustments and Bonuses.

Proposer: Mr. Robert L. Stewart.
Seconder: Mr. R. D. Chisolm.

By Order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, April 11, 1939.
12061

NOTIFICATION No. 5073

ANNUAL MEETING OF RATEPAYERS

Voting Qualifications and Proxies.

Voting qualifications.—In accordance with Land Regulation XIX a list of persons duly qualified to vote at the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers was published in the "Municipal Gazette" on December 20, 1938, and for the convenience of ratepayers a further list revised up to date was published in the "Gazette" on March 31, 1939.

Proxies.—Land Regulation XIX. provides that at the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers "proxies of ratepayers only who are absent from the Consular District of Shanghai, or are prevented by illness from attending shall be admitted to vote at such meetings."

Proxies should be appointed in writing and the instrument of proxy or proxy paper should be signed by the ratepayer who makes the appointment and should contain a declaration that the appointer will be absent from the Consular District of Shanghai or is prevented by illness from attending on the day of the meeting. In the case of illness the declaration should be accompanied by a medical certificate or be attested by a registered qualified medical practitioner.

Proxy papers may be obtained from the Deputy Treasurer, Revenue Office, Administration Building, 209 Kiangse Road, and should reach him duly completed not later than 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, April 18, 1939.

By order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, April 6, 1939.
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IN HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SUPREME COURT FOR CHINA AT SHANGHAI.

IN THE MATTER OF

MAJOR BROTHERS LTD.

AND IN THE MATTER OF

THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES No. 39 of 1932

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition presented to His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court for China at Shanghai on the 31st day of March, 1939, for confirming the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company from Taels One hundred and twenty thousand (T120,000) to Dollars One hundred and fifty thousand ($150,000) each share being reduced from Taels Twenty (T20) to Dollars Twenty-five ($25) is directed to be heard before His Lordship Sir Allan George Mossop on Wednesday the 26th day of April, 1939, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Any creditor or shareholder of the Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the reduction of the said Company under the above Ordinance should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for the purpose.

A copy of the Petition will be furnished to any creditor or shareholder of the Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charges for the same.

ELLIS AND HAYS,
Legal Practitioners for the Company,
137 Peking Road.

April 11, 1939.
12058

LE CHAMP DE COURSES FRANCAIS

The Shareholders of Le Champ de Courses Français are requested to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Company, which will take place on Monday, May 1, 1939 at 11.30 a.m., in the offices of the Company, 439 Avenue du Roi Albert.

AGENDA:
Balance Sheet 1938.
Directors' Report.
Auditor's Report.
Sundry matters.

The Company Registers of Transfers will be closed from April 22 till May 1, 1939, both days inclusive.

For the Board of Directors,
F. BOUVIER, *Chairman.*
12044

OLD TONBRIDGIAN SOCIETY

The Annual Dinner will be held on Wednesday April 19. Will any O. T's who have not yet been notified kindly communicate with the undersigned.

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To-day's Events

APRIL

12 Ministering Children's League Bridge and Mahjongg at 85 Ferry Road, 3
12 Annual Meeting of Subscribers of the Holy Trinity Cathedral, 5.30
12 Scouters mtg., 3rd Floor, Foreign Y, 5.30
12 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
12 Piano-Recital by Hans Baer, A.W.C.
12 *Decision to organize Shanghai Volunteer Corps (1853)*

Coming Events

APRIL

13 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
13 S.S.P.C.A. ann. gen. mtg., Beck & Swann, 17 Bund, 5.15
13 British Chamber of Commerce annual general meeting, 27 Bund, 5.15
13 China Association (S'hai Branch) annual general meeting, 27 Bund, 5.15
13 'Chardash Princess,' by E. Kalman, Light Opera with K. Orlovskaya, Lyc., 8.45
14 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum, 5.30
14 B.U.S.C. Supper Dance, W'ter G'den, 8
15 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum, 3
15 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
15 'Chardash Princess,' Light Opera, Lyc., 8.45
16 Russian Philatelic Society Spring Bazaar and Exhibition, B.F.R.C., 10-8
16 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
16 'Chardash Princess,' Light Opera, Lyc., 8.45
16 A.T.A. presents 'Whose Money,' 'The Eve in Evelyn,' 'A Flower of Yeddo,' at Shanghai Jewish School, 9
17 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
17 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
18 A.W.C. Musical Prog. Dupont, 4.45
18 Lester Chinese Hospital, Annual Meeting of Subscribers, 5.30
18 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
19 British Scouts Association Members' Social, B.F.R.C., 8
19 Violin-Recital by Prof. Wittenberg, American Women's Club, 9
19 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
20 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
20 B.U.S.C., 'Chemical Therapy,' by L. H. Barton, Esq., 114 Peking Rd., 6
20 Concert, Community Church, 9
20 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
21 Dramatic Entertainment by P.T.H.S. for Girls
21 St. George's Ball, C.S.F., 9.30
22 St. George's Children's Party, Country Club, 4
22 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
23 'Svengali,' (Trilby), Lyc. Theatre, 9
24 Signals Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dinner and Dance, 7.30
25 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
27 Rummage Sale, American Women's Club, 9 a.m.
27 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
27 K.D.S. Bridge/Mahjongg Tea, Race Club, entrance Mohawk Road, 3
28 B.U.S.C. Annual Meeting at Park Hotel
28 Nordisk Fest Cercle Sportif Francais 8
28 American Junior Chamber of Commerce Dinner Dance, 9
30 St. Andrew's v. St. George's Soc., Golf Match

MAY

4 B.W.A., S.S.B. Jumble Sale
4 Le Ballet Russe, gala performance of 'The Sleeping Beauty,' symphonic ballet music by Tschaikowsky, Lyc., 9
5 Annual Dinner of the Society of Chartered Accountants in China, 8.15
5 Shanghai Camera Club Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
6 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
7 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
9 German A.D.C. 'Lauter Luegen,' Lyc., 9
11 B.W.A. Gardening Club Day, 4

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE FIRST SPECIAL AREA IN SHANGHAI

NOTICE No. 3247

In re APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE

of

The late

CHARLES HENRY ELLIG

Notice is hereby given to the public that:

WHEREAS Mrs. DOLORES LEIGH ELLIG and Miss BERTHA ELLIG have filed a petition with this Court for issuance to them of Letters of Administration for the above-mentioned Estate, stating in essence that the first petitioner is the relict and the second petitioner the sister of the late CHARLES HENRY ELLIG, an Austrian, who died on August 9, 1938, in Abbazia, Italy, at the age of 53, leaving 2,000 Shares Bute Plantations 1913 Ltd.; 3,000 Shares Padang Rubber Co.; 2,000 Shares Sua Manggis Rubber Co.; 50 Shares of the The Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd., and a cash deposit, including interest thereon, with the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, Ltd., Shanghai Branch, (amounting with interest up to August 9, 1938, to CNC $1,429.46), which estate is to be administered and inherited in equal shares by the petitioners in accordance with the Law.

Now Therefore publication hereof is made in the newspaper to notify the public that whosoever objects to such petition shall file such objection with this Court within the period commencing from the first day of the publication and ending on the twentieth day after the last day of the publication. If no objection has been filed within the above-specified period of time, the Court will forthwith grant Letters of Administration of the said Estate.

(Seal of the Court)

March 30, 1939.
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MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

The Annual Meeting of Subscribers will be held TO-DAY, April 12, 1939 at the Church House, 243 Kiangse Road at 5.45 p.m. immediately following the meeting of the Holy Trinity Cathedral.
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(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts up to December 31, 1938.
(2) To elect Directors.
(3) To elect Auditors.
(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

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Shanghai, April 11, 1939.
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CERCLE SPORTIF FRANCAIS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1939

The Annual General Meeting of Members of the Cercle Sportif Francais will be held in the Club House on Friday, April 28, 1939 at 6 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Passing of the accounts for 1938
Election of the various Committees
Alterations to rules
General Business:
a/Construction of Bowling alleys
b/Construction of Squash Courts
c/Lounge accommodation on the Ground floor
d/Corresponding increase of monthly subscriptions

Members desirous of bringing forward a resolution on any special matter should send the same in writing to the Secretary at least seven days before the Meeting. (Rule 31).

Members wishing to serve on a Committee are requested to send in their application to the Secretary as much as possible before April 21 and to mention the Committee which they wish to join.

As a result of Rule 27 only the names of Members requesting so by letter will be put on the lists of the various Sub-Committees.

H. A. ANETTE
Pour le Comité et par Ordre
Le Secrétaire

Shanghai, April 11, 1939.
12034

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHINA GENERAL OMNIBUS COMPANY LTD., will be held at the Offices of the General Managers of the Company, Sassoon House, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 1939, for the following purposes, namely:

(a) To receive the report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938.
(b) To declare a final Dividend.
(c) To elect Directors.
(d) To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.
(e) To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books will be closed from April 14 to April 20, 1939 (both days inclusive).

Proxies to be valid must be lodged at the Company's office not less than 48 hours before the holding of the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. G. CURRIE, *Secretary.*

Shanghai, April 6, 1939.
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Cathedral:

Should It Move West?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I note that the Annual Meeting of the Subscribers to the Holy Trinity Cathedral will be held tomorrow (Wednesday); this is the one chance in the year for those interested in the Cathedral and its affairs to give public expression to their views and wishes.

I wonder whether the time will ever come when the supporters of the Cathedral will look ahead and act with courage and energy. It is perfectly obvious that the great majority of worshippers live miles away, to the West; and the tendency surely will be for Shanghai to extend still further to the West—and so further away from the Bund. Hence the price of land in the Western areas is going up and will continue to go up; yet there still can be found sufficiently large plots of land on which could be built a Cathedral—one, too, like that of Singapore, which has ample open ground around it.

At the same time, the present site of the Cathedral is a valuable one, and the whole compound should be sold, thus releasing funds not only for the purchase of a new, and far more convenient, site, but also for the rebuilding of the Cathedral on that site.

Such a move — a big one, I agree, and one that demands energy and courage—would also at long last give the Cathedral Boys' School some hope; for surely there would be some money left for that purpose, if the sale of the entire present compound were proceeded with? This unfortunate School — in which apparently none of the wealthier British subjects takes any real interest — seems as far away as ever from attaining its new buildings.

Of course, we are told that this is not a propitious moment to make changes: the future is so uncertain; and so forth—hackneyed phrases, all of them. The future is always uncertain, but far less certain than the tendency of Shanghai's residents to move West, and the impasse in which the Cathedral School seems to be left. Perhaps there is need for fresh blood; there certainly is dire need for vigorous and courageous action.

A.

Shanghai, Apr. 11.

Communism:

The Teaching of Experience

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Communism on paper may leave one his soul, but my experience in living under it is that you lose both property and soul, and if you cheep, your head may follow the other two into the discard. So what is the choice for the average citizen between the two evils? It looks as if we common or garden peace-loving people are between the devil and the deep, deep sea.

INOSTRANKA.

Shanghai, Apr. 11.

BY SAPAJOU

Horatii and Curiatii

During the war between Rome and Alba Longa, it was agreed that the issue should depend on a combat between the two sets of three brothers on each side. Horatii stood for Rome, Curiatii for Alba Longa.

Story of Conquest Of Albania Told

Refugees in Yugoslav Town Accuse Italians Of Fomenting Strife

Debar, Apr. 10.

Albanian refugees are pouring into this Yugoslavian town in large numbers, a Havas correspondent who for three days followed the Italian troops during their occupation of South Albania, reported upon his arrival in this country today.

The Albanian minority in Yugoslavia is indignant at the broadcasts made by the Italian authorities in Albania, he added.

The correspondent, while in Albania, came across one of the pamphlets dropped by Italian planes on most of the Albanian towns. The paper was signed by "The Committee" and tended to indicate that an Albanian Revolutionary Committee existed in the interior of the country.

The pamphlet declared: "Albanians! The Zog regime ruined Albania. The best Albanians were killed, imprisoned, or put to flight. But God did not wish that the Albanian people continue to live in misery, shame and dishonour. At the last moment, truth triumphed. The great Duce sends to our aid the valiant soldiers of the Fascist Army who have come to guarantee our independence, our lives, our homes and our lands. Welcome every Italian soldier as a friend and liberator."

Refugee Accuses Italy

A well-known Albanian political personality, at present in flight, told the correspondent that "prior to the Italian occupation there was no Albanian Committee to appeal for Italian intervention."

"Italy attempted to stir up domestic troubles in Albania, which would have been used as an excuse for intervention, by addressing herself to political emigrants, hostile to the King," the speaker said. "But the latter, forgetting their old quarrels, informed King Zog of the danger threatening him and placed themselves at his disposal."

Referring to the other Italian excuse that Albanian gangs were ill-treating Italian citizens, the Havas correspondent declared that all Italians established in Albania had left the country prior to its occupation by Italian troops. For instance, at Korcha, an Italian plane landed three times in one day to take on Italian citizens, while the Havas correspondent himself noted that the Italian Consulate was closed even while the Tirana radio station was announcing the heroic resistance of Albanian troops in Durazzo and Valona.

Peasants Aid Own Army

The correspondent saw many groups of peasants trudging towards the North to assist the regular army. He did not see any foreigner being ill-treated despite the fact that hostilities had already broken out.

He also witnessed the return of trucks transporting the exhausted remains of the little Albanian army following the Italian landing in Elbasani. A few ambushed volunteers alone continued to offer resistance, attempting to halt the advance of Italian armoured cars with rifles of ancient type.

Albanian quarters believe that several mountain tribes will continue to harass the Italians who will have a difficult task in their "pacification" of Albania.—Havas.

Details of Demands

The correspondent obtained a detailed outline of the Italian demands upon the Albanian Government, which were rejected by King Zog.

Italy demanded that, 1. Italian troops be allowed to land at any time in any place on Albanian territory; 2. Italian military authorities be allowed to ensure control and surveillance over all Albanian works such as fortifications, highways, bridges, and ports; 3. Italian citizens residing in Albania be granted the same civil rights as the Albanians, including the right to become Deputies and Ministers; 4. The Foreign Ministry be suppressed and Albanian interests be represented by Italian diplomatic agents; 5. Italian Secretaries-General be appointed in every Ministry; 6. The Italian Minister in Tirana become a member of the Albanian Government, in return for which the Albanian Minister in Rome would become a member of the Fascist Government.—Havas.

Big Deficit in Budget

Berne, Apr. 10.

Complete calm reigned in Durazzo during the week preceding the Italian occupation of Albania, the semi-official Swiss news agency reported today. On Wednesday last, Italian residents started to leave Albania.

The Albanian Minister to Italy, Signor Serecl, appointed to his post but a week ago, made many air trips between Tirana and Rome. He learned that the annual accounts of the Albanian state revealed a deficit of 10,000,000 Gold Francs which Italy, according to the provisions of her 1927 treaty with Albania, had to pay. The Italian Government then presented its claims. Albania could have accepted most of them, but was not able to comply with the demand that Italian troops be stationed at Valona, as this would have been incompatible with the maintenance of her independence.—Havas.

Japan Prepares for More War Needs

Vital Materials to Be Under Special Control

Tokyo, Apr. 11.

With emphasis placed on the production of raw materials needed in war, the material mobilization plan for the current fiscal year today was receiving final touches from Japanese Government officials.

The primary object in the material mobilization plans for the current year will be the replenishment of Army and Navy armaments. Care has also been taken to regulate the supply and demand of materials required to increase production.

Out of sixteen items included in the productivity expansion programme, basic materials required by industry, such as gold, iron and copper will be given first consideration. Implements and materials needed for the production of these metals will be given priority in the general distribution of materials.

Production of aluminum and other light metals, as well as materials for automobile manufacture, which are the contributing elements in the improvement of Japan's international balance sheet, will also receive special consideration.

Production of other articles will be pushed as previously planned, with elasticity allowed in the schedule for the less important sixteen items.—Domei.

Cordial Anglo-Japanese Relations Here

Sir Robert Craigie Gives Impressions in Return

Kobe, Apr. 11.

Pleasure at the cordial relations existing between the Japanese and the British military authorities in Shanghai was expressed here by Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan, as he returned from a week's visit to the Central China city. Sir Robert and Lady Craigie arrived in Kobe last night in the ss. Terukuni Maru but stayed aboard overnight before proceeding to Tokyo by train this morning.

The Japanese authorities, Sir Robert further told reporters, were providing "as many facilities as possible" to British commercial interests in China.

The envoy emphatically denied that his conversations with Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, on the eve of the latter's departure for Chungking, had any political significance. Sir Robert regretted that the shortness of his stay in Shanghai had prevented him from "talking at leisure" with all his friends.

The ambassador also declared that British policy towards China had registered no change.—Domei.

Germans to Eat "Ersatz Eggs" in Future

Hen Output Inadequate For National Needs

Berlin, Apr. 10.

Since eggs, chickens' eggs, have become rare in the Reich, Germans will in future have to be content with ersatz eggs, made out of skimmed milk.

The German Farmers' Organization made this startling announcement today when it declared that "milei" or "milk eggs" will soon appear on the market.

The "milk egg" will replace the genuine chicken product both in the home and in industry for it can be scrambled and fried and cooked in all the other ways that Nature's own eggs can be prepared.

The Farmers' Organization closed with the declaration, "Three factories will take up the production of eggs in the near future."—Havas.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF APRIL 12, 1869

Another of the gunboats, building at the Arsenal for the Chinese Government, was successfully launched yesterday afternoon. The vessel is a pretty model; her lines as she sat on the stocks giving her the appearance more of a clipper than a war vessel. She is, however, very substantially constructed, her frame being of oak and Singapore pine, planked all over with white oak, coppered and copper fastened. Her length is 175 feet over all, 166 feet of keel, 27 ft. 3 beam, with a depth of hold of 12 feet; and her measurement is about 560 tons. Her cyclinder measures 36 in. diameter, with a stroke of 36 in; working pressure 40 lb. and 110 h.p. She is intended to carry one 68 pounder amidships, four 24 pounders (Dalhgren's), aft. two 12 pounders forward, and one Whitworth on the forecastle. She is to be brig rigged, and is a screw steamer.

Argentine Nazi Leader Held in Jail

German Charge Asks For Open Inquiry

Buenos Aires, Apr. 10.

Herr Muller, leader of the Nazis in Argentina and accused of plotting German annexation of Patagonia, was transferred from a police station cell to a regular prison house today.

The German Chargé d'Affaires here, Dr. E. O. Meynen, brought up the question of an inquiry into the Nazi affairs so stressed here lately when he called on Dr. R. Gache, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

The Foreign Minister, Sr. J. M. Cantilo, announced today that he received a Note from the German Embassy. This Note contained no demands in connection with Herr Muller's arrest, he added.—Havas.

Mackenzie & Co. Fined

Messrs. Mackenzie & Co., Ltd., were fined five shillings by Mr. I. T. Morris, Acting Registrar in H.M. Court for China yesterday morning for failure to instal a partition in the driver's seat of a company truck bearing the license No. 17303.

Foreign Gold Still Pours Into U.S.A.

New Pork, Apr. 11.

Foreign gold is still pouring into the United States, the ss. President Harding and Zandaam bringing in $94,000,000 worth of the precious metal from Europe today. Financial quarters believe that most of the shipments were made by European central banks and will be deposited in the Federal Reserve Bank.—Havas.

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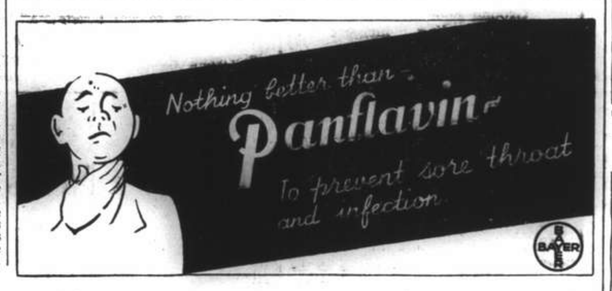

WORLD RADIO

The following table shows the Shanghai times at which news is broadcast in the principal countries of the world, together with the wave lengths and frequencies used. We shall be glad to receive comment or suggestions from listeners, which should be addressed or telephoned to the Radio Editor of the "North-China Daily News" (Tel. 11055). The times, given in the first column, are all between noon and midnight.

LONDON

P.M.	METRES	CYCLES
2.30, 4.45, 10.00	19.76	15.18
6.45, 9.50	16.84	17.81

Today's BBC Programme

3.30 Darts championship commentary
4.00 News
4.45 Sports news and markets
9.00 "Empire Exchange," points of view.
9.15 News
9.45 Sports news and markets
12.00 News

PARIS

7.00	19.68	15.24

ROME

5.30, 9.30, 12.00	25.40	11.81
7.00	31.13	9.63

BERLIN

3.00	19.63/16.89	15.28/17.76
8.00, 10.00	31.45/19.63	9.54/15.28

SAN FRANCISCO

8.00, 11.00	31.46	9.53

MANILA

7.00, 11.00	31.35	9.57

MELBOURNE

5.15, 8.30 9.20	31.32	9.58

TOKYO

1.00, 2.00	3.30	4.30
10.00, 11.00	25.42	11.80

HONGKONG

12.30, 2.15, 7.00	31.49	9.52
11.00	31.40	9.52

New Yugoslav Envoy Arrives in Berlin

Berlin, Apr. 11.

M. Ivo Andric, the new Yugoslav Minister to Germany, arrived here today.—Havas.

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7 BOLL WEEVIL Grey 13-1, A/217, S.R.C. 1939 griffin, started twice.
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But this success of insurance companies from their own point of view, stabilizing as it has been to business generally, is not all that was achieved. Policyholders, whose resources became less as one bad year succeeded another, found at the head and branch offices sympathetic consideration. There was generous advance of money to tide over bad periods or stave off the evil day when there would be no more revenue coming in. Generally, individuals wise enough to be well insured were able, with a little time, to find a way out of their difficulties; but without this financial help the prospect would have been black in many cases.

Insurance companies may well be proud of their record during the last decade. Not only did they keep their own flags flying mast-high, but they assisted innumerable Canadians to weather the storm. That has been a distinct public service. The service will not be forgotten by those who were helped by it, but it should be more definitely impressed on the public mind.

From an editorial in **"The Globe and Mail," Toronto, January 23, 1939.**

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London Letter

Britain's Naval Strength

Fleet Strong Enough to Accept Battle From Any Combination of Foes

BY O. M. GREEN

(Editor "North-China Daily News," 1911-1930)

London, Mar. 18.

THE review of British naval strength by Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, in presenting the Naval Estimates won the applause even of Mr. Winston Churchill, who described it as "an afternoon off from black care."

Mr. Shakespeare said that our fleet was now so strong that it could accept battle with any combination of our foes. He spoke of the guns of the Nelson, able to throw a shell the weight of an average motor car as far as from Westminster to St. Albans, with deadly accuracy; and the new battleships would do better than that.

The volume of anti-aircraft fire from such a ship would fill a space 200 times bigger than the Houses of Parliament, into which no aeroplane could enter without almost certain destruction. A thousand merchant ships had already been "stiffened" to take part in defensive war fare: 9,000 mercantile officers had already been trained in convoy protection and gunnery; our convoy plans were already worked out, and our methods of hunting down submarines were the best in the world. Mr. Shakespeare himself had taken part in these hunts and nine out of every ten submarines had been found

The only real criticism in the debate was directed at the Anglo-German Naval Treaty of 1931 which permits Germany to build up to 35 per cent. of our battleships, and treats three of her "pocket" battle-cruisers as only 30,000 tons, though they carry 11-in. guns and are too fast for most ships to catch. Nor does anyone now imagine for a moment that Germany will keep to the Treaty if it suits her to break it.

Far Eastern Naval Strategy

Mr. Alexander, Labour's ex-First-Lord, said some pointed things about the Far East.

The seaboard from just south of Vladivostok down to French Indo-China was under the control of the Japanese fleet, he said and we were in the position of seeing our rear-admiral on the Yangtze practically ordered off and no men-of-war allowed up the river and not one of the thousands of British vessels allowed to trade on that immense waterway. We might have to decide whether we were going to defend it, and what was to be the general basis of our Far Eastern naval strategy in those circumstances.

One part of the moral drawn is that France must be spurred to equip herself for a bigger part in the defence of the Mediterranean. But in general it was a pleasant and encouraging afternoon.

Losing Oneself in London

Some people boast that they know London, a phrase which may have two or three meanings. Geographically it is doubtful whether even the police, except the motorized flying squad, could make such a claim. To the obvious difficulty of its enormous size complicated by the haphazard nature of old-time villages which it has absorbed in its growth, is added the ineffective and mostly non-existent methods of marking directions. From east to west, from the docks through City and West End and out by the Great West Road is easy enough. Even southwards, by crossing one of the principal bridges and keeping straight on, one does not go very far wrong. But the northern parts are a nightmare.

The question is being agitated by the motoring fraternity, particularly with reference to the North Circular Road, which was designed to take traffic from west to east without having to go through the centre of London. Now if you start at one end intending to go right along, the odds are you will get lost, although both the R.A.C. and the A.A. have long been trying to get it properly labelled throughout.

There are about 150 local authorities controlling London and it seems impossible to get them to work together in respect of through direction posts. In many country towns, at whatever point you enter, you find direction posts showing clearly which way to go for other towns. Dorsetshire where I holidayed last summer is very good in this respect. Obviously there are limits to a similar practice in London, but much more could be done; for example when one comes upon a large open space like Hampstead Heath or Ealing Common, or even the smaller patches which were once village greens.

Street Problems

Another much-needed reform is in respect of street-naming, which is too high and usually too small. When drivers sat on the open boxes of carts and carriages this did not matter. For motorists, sometimes having to peer through a wet windscreen, and always from a low point of view, it matters a great deal. Proper numbering is probably past praying for. In shopping streets there are usually no numbers at all.

The fact is that London has never yet properly grasped the fact that this is a motoring not a horse traffic age. Sir Charles Bressey's colossal scheme of through roads is far too costly to be realized. But much could be done at comparatively small cost to save the waste of time and bad language of motorists continually losing themselves in this higgledy-piggledy village.

While one is grousing, one should also pay a tribute to the work recently done by the Ministry of Transport under the new Act passed to prevent ribbon development. Altogether 72,000 miles of road have been saved from unsightly building, or from buildings being placed too near their edges, and of these roads 29,000 run through such well-known beauty spots as the Surrey hills, Cotswolds, Wye Valley and the Peak country. In combination with the National Trust something is really being done to check that curse the speculative builder. If only the fight had begun earlier.

Atonal School of Music

"I listened in last night it was the sort of thing one felt bound to do" said a friend at the station the other morning. "But I couldn't stand it for very long. Not one scrap of melody so far as I heard. Awful stuff."

Reference was to the broadcasting of "Mathis der Maler," the opera by Paul Hindemith, the last word in what now frankly calls itself the atonal school of music, which sets every rule of harmony at defiance. Even "The Times" critic found it, as Huckleberry Finn said of "Pilgrim's Progress," "interesting though tough." The "Daily Telegraph" described it as a "fairly grim evening."

The story is of an artist who finds himself caught in the "wheel of things"—conflict of Papists and Lutherans, revolt of oppressed peasantry and his own private temptations. But Hindemith appears to have treated this in the spirit of a mechanized dictator-ridden age, with as much noise as possible, a boiler-factor being apparently the model used for orchestration and harmonization.

One is continually urged not to repeat the mistakes of our forefathers revolting against Wagner. But one does wonder whether the atonalists will justify themselves by public judgment as he has done. So many of the fantastic ideas of the modernists in architecture and furniture, which were once held up for our worship, have now faded out, because houses and furniture are universal needs, and the public refused to buy the monstrosities offered them. Poetry and music have had a longer innings in eccentricity because few people in England care for either of them. But their turn for a revival of sanity will come.

New Edition of Hymns

An interesting event is the appearance of a new edition of "Hymns Ancient and Modern," in which the 779 hymns of the present edition have been reduced to 485 by cutting out a great number which never were (nor should have been) used while at the same time some 30 new tunes have been included by composers from Purcell to the moderns.

One interesting change is to replace the usual rendering of "Old Hundredth" in notes of equal length, by the much older one of long and short notes, in this style (capitals indicating long notes): "ALL people that on EARTH DO DWELL." I have not yet had an opportunity of studying the new book but two predictions can safely be made—that every congregation will instinctively receive the new tunes with distrust and aversion; and that nothing in the book will persuade any congregation that their parson does not deliberately choose the hymns which he knows they will not sing.

"Passing" of Gow's

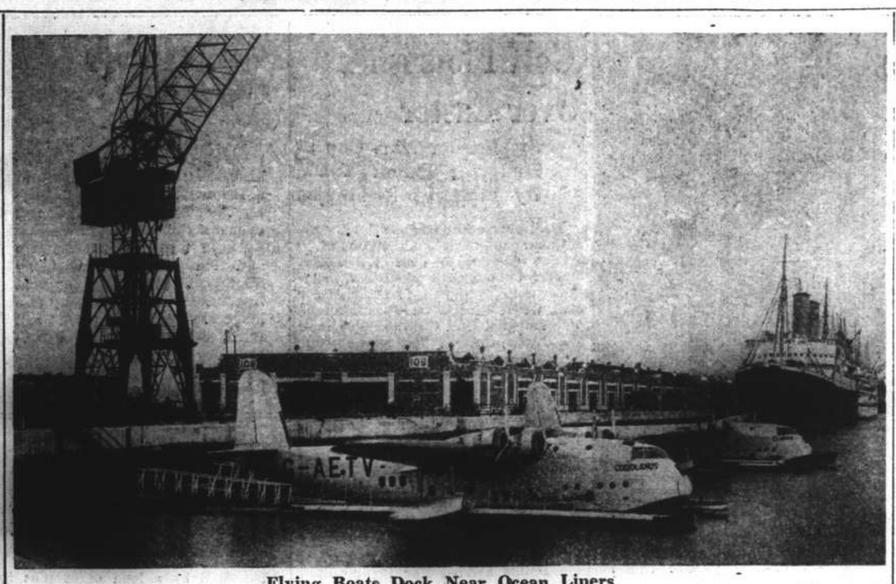
Involved in the destruction of the Lyceum, which dropped its final curtain last Saturday evening, is one of the minor but none the less precious landmarks of London, Gow's the oyster bar. To me it is specially dear as the house in which, conducted by a brother reporter in my first year in Fleet Street, I ate my first oyster. "The luscious bivalve" only cost 2/6 a dozen in those days. Once we had three dozen each but I cannot recall what sudden access of wealth allowed us so rare a treat.

Gow's has existed for over a century, though there has been no Gow connected with it for many years. It specializes on all sorts of fish of course, and in the dining-room splendid roasts and grills. Only a few days ago the head waiter commented to me on the trash with which young people fill themselves nowadays, washed down with hot milk." But the trash is cheap and quickly absorbed. The best English meats and fishes cost more than most people can afford now, and certainly must not be gulped down in a hurry.

They keep records at Gow's of notable repasts. Once in the nineties, three officers ate 35½ dozen oysters, however, they only cost 1s. a dozen then. And only a few years ago one young woman ate half a lobster, tripe and onions, mixed grill, steak and kidney pie, pudding, with wines liqueurs and rolls and butter. Oddly enough she was a decidedly slender type.

Non omnis moriar. Gow's will not die, but only move to another house in the Strand taking with it the mahogany panelling which forms the "boxes" in its dining-room, two panes of glass inscribed with the name of John Smith who made the place famous in Victorian times and a life-like portrait of a lobster by a White-table artist. Lobsters, too, are good, but "oysters and his mother were the only things he loved." I forgot who the "he" was but certainly understood, as Gow's has always done, the art of life.

The famous Club, Prince's, patronized by kings, dukes, and millionaires, has closed after more than 100 years of existence. A block of super-flats is to be built on the site. The club was named after the brother Prince, who built it in 1835 when tennis was all the rage.



Flying Boats Dock Near Ocean Liners

Imperial Airways flying boats now dock at Berth 108, at Southampton, next to the ocean liners using this great port. Here are the Corialanus and the Cambria, with the Canadian Pacific Montcalm, now a troopship, in the background.

British Aviation Progress

Their Majesties Visit to Short Bros. Plants; Amazing Military and Commercial Production

FROM OUR OWN AVIATION CORRESPONDENT

London, Mar. 15.

THE King and Queen paid a long visit to the Short Bros. aircraft factories at Rochester yesterday. It is an amazing place, the sheds having been added to continually as work has increased until now it is fully a mile from the entrance to the end of the buildings.

Here one may see everything, from the blue print stage to he fastest giant flying-boats, the three "G" class, Grenville, Golden Hind and Grenadier, which, as forecast in my letter four weeks ago, are so well on the way to completion that they will be flying respectively in April, May and June this year.

They weigh 71,000 lb. (31½ tons) each, as against the 40,500 lb. laden weight of the standard Empire flying-boat, and the 53,000 lb. Cabot class, four of which will open the transatlantic airmail services this year. The "G" class have a non-stop range of 3,200 miles, equal to 2,600 against a 40-mile head wind, and a cruising speed of 180 m.p.h.

A fascinating part of the Short-works is the shed full of models, with a long tank on which they are tested. Hard by in the hillside are veritable catacombs, some of them 300 ft. below the ground for air raid shelters. These also the King and Queen visited. The afternoon was completed with a demonstration flight by a Sunderland, one of the newest of the great military flying-boats.

Atlantic Airmail Service

The British transatlantic airmail service will begin on June 1, if weather is reasonably favourable, and will continue until ice blocks the Canadian and Newfoundland waterways. As stated above, the Cabot class will open this service; passengers will have to wait for bigger boats. The route will be from Southampton to Foyle, on the Shannon, where the boats will refuel in the air after taking off, and then the familiar Botwood, Montreal, New York course.

When Pan-American Airways will be ready to start, is not yet known. In America it was said recently that they would begin before the end of this month. But there has been delay in the delivery of the necessary Boeings, and though two of them have been delivered, they may be used first on the Pacific where they are much needed.

Meanwhile it is interesting to record that in 1938 British Empire routes in working amounted to 88,000 miles, and British airliners carried over 2,000 tons of mail, the number of letters being approximately 195,000,000. The extent to which aerial travel has increased even inside Great Britain may be gauged from the expectation that airliners this year are expected to cover 3½ million miles and carry 225,000 passengers. And this is a country of small distances, excellent railways and very indifferent flying weather.

New air services are continually being added. British Airways has just announced three new daily returns between Heston and Berlin and Warsaw; Frankfort and Budapest, and Brussels. There will be eight daily services on week days and five on Sundays between London and Paris, shared between British Airways and Imperial Airways. The former company have everything ready for an air service to Lisbon. Now that Great Britain has recognized General Franco, his ban which has hitherto blocked this service ought to be lifted soon.

The Heston aerodrome just mentioned (everyone who has driven in or out of London by the Great West Road knows where it is, about seven miles from Hyde Park Corner) is being developed very rapidly. In connection with it a new Adcock direction-finding station has just been put up on Hounslow Heath, two miles from the airport, which will guide aeroplanes to the aerodrome, reducing inaccuracies due to "night effect" and "trailing aerial effect."

Of course Heston itself is well equipped with apparatus to assist landing in fog. Much additional ground has been bought, but more is to be obtained. All the buildings and hangars are being rearranged and, when complete, Heston will extend right up to the Great West Road, and will provide 2,000 yd. runways in all directions.

Sir Kingsley Wood's Speech

A few points in Sir Kingsley Wood's speech when presenting the Air Estimates stand out for notice. Already we are spending a quarter of a million sterling daily on aircraft production, and shall soon be spending more. Some important organizations have not yet begun to produce or are not yet in full production. Yet the increase in monthly output of 150 per cent. due to be reached in May, as compared with a year ago has already been achieved. Compared with January and February last year production has gone up by 300 per cent.

Labour employed in aircraft production has increased by 40 per cent. in the past six months, not counting the people engaged on subcontracts. Gun-turrets, at one time a cause for some disquiet, are now being produced in quantity, and the manufacture of cannon (shell-firing guns) for aircraft is being pushed on a considerable scale. The R.A.F. now numbers 100,000 officers and men, 75,000 more are needed when the Volunteer Reserve and Auxiliary Air Force are included. The indications are that there will be not the least difficulty in getting them.

Sir Kingsley Wood dealt very frankly with the problem of accidents. The increase in these last year was due to the increased number of hours flown by the whole Force, and relatively to that number there was no increase in the number of accidents. Every effort, however, is being made to lessen the number. It is to be remembered that most other countries do not publish their air force accidents. In Germany, there is good ground for stating (as was pointed out in the House) that deaths in flying accidents are around 700 a year.

Previous Criticism

A few months ago, shortly before Sir Kingsley Wood took office, there was considerable criticism of the new plan of construction then announced, on the ground that it concentrated too much on the defensive to the weakening of our offensive power. If that ever was so, the planning has clearly been changed by Sir Kingsley Wood.

In this connection it is calculated that every country at war will have to keep at least half its air force at home. But that certainly does not mean that we are neglecting our power to hit back. Orders were placed last year for between 5,000 and 6,000 fighters; a large margin is necessary because it is impossible to foresee the area over which they would have to fight. But concurrently our counter-offensive powers are being built up with increased reserves of bombers and trained crews. A balanced force is the aim—a secure, well defended base from which to operate, and plenty of hitting power.

A party of leading French aircraft manufacturers came over last week as guests of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors. They included M. de l'Escaille, President of the Union of Aeronautical Industries, M. Louis Breguet, head of the great company of that name; and several other well-known manufacturers and technicians. They were shown round all the principal factories and expressed unbounded admiration for the size and efficiency of what Great Britain is doing.

Kashing Recovering Slowly from War

Owing to Debris Street Level Raised Ten Inches

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Kashing, Apr. 10.

The instinct for permanency abides here as elsewhere in China. This city ruined in previous wars is said to recover in about a century. The average level of the area inside the city walls rose a few inches from the spread of débris after each such disaster. On main street now being widened, the stone-slab pavement has been raised about ten inches. Shops on either side must now raise their floors or be flooded after rains.

The population is steadily returning, excepting the wealthy or upper middle class. Their property is usually burnt, wrecked or occupied by the invaders or employees. Business is active in small turn-over by shopkeepers who do not have capital to carry credit customers.

Carpenters, masons and labourers are busy repairing such houses as can be used for business or dwellings. Photographers are busy, everyone now needs to have his or her portrait on his pass.

Primary Schools Opened

Country people come freely with fuel or farm products. A few primary schools have opened under strict supervision. Since December more than 1,000 families and individuals, making a larger total, have been helped with money, clothing or wheat by American missionaries acting for a Shanghai advisory committee and other philanthropic agencies. The aged, infirm, war-widows and war-orphans are numerous. With winter passed and summer coming the problem of bare existence is less distressing but not yet solved.

Spring farm products are good, silk culture possible and rice can be planted so that if millions perish other millions will survive. Railway services are prompt and the Chinese postal service functions very much as usual.

Tokyo-Teheran Flight Started

Tokyo, Apr. 9.

Carrying an Imperial wedding gift to Crown Prince Mohammed Reza Pahlev, a Japanese-built twin engined transport left Haneda airport here at 7.13 o'clock this morning on its first leg of a 12,090-kilometre flight to Teheran, the capital of Iran. The first stop will be made today at Taihoku, Formosa.—Domei.

As part of the efforts being made by various county councils to preserve the escarpment of the Chilterns, the National Trust proposes to acquire 312 acres adjoining Sharpenhoe Beacon or Clappers (524ft.), near Barton-in-the-Clay, north of Luton. The National Trust which already owns Coombe End Farm, Aston Wood, Coombe Hill, the Ivinghoe Hills, and part of Dunstable Downs, is appealing for £4,000 for their purpose, in which it has the cordial support of the Bedfordshire County Council.

Power Plants Planned Near Great Wall

Big Scheme to Provide Electricity for Mines

Peiping, Apr. 10.

In order to supply the motive power for mines to be opened in the Great Wall region, Chinese, Japanese and Manchoukuo mining interests are planning the opening of large power plants near the wall.

The interested parties have drawn up tentative plans, which will be put into execution after the Manchoukuo Electric Corporation and the North China Development Company have approved them, says a Chinese report.

It has been decided in principle to operate huge generators with hydraulic power derived from the Luanho, east of Tangshan, in the former demilitarized zone. The tentative plans include the opening of three power plants near the Great Wall, one at Lochiatun, another at Panchiakuo, south of Hsifengkou, and the third at Huanghuachuan, south of Jehol province.—Reuter.

Famous Ivories For Sheffield

Alderman J. G. Graves, a generous benefactor to Sheffield, has now given to the city a remarkable collection of carved ivories. Altogether there are 136 pieces in the collection, which are on exhibition in the Graves Art Gallery, Sheffield.

Until a few months ago the collection had not left China and only the disturbed state of that country made it possible to purchase it for export. Alderman Graves considers himself fortunate to get it. Some of the pieces are extraordinarily large. They also vary greatly and include famous figures in Chinese history, trees, fans, vases, panels, boxes, birds, opium pipes, plates and cups, arm rests, brush holders, and plaques.

The collection is known as the Grice Collection, having been accumulated in China by a Dr. Grice over a long period of years. It is regarded as representative of the best period only of China's ivory carvings.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Cathedral School Gymkhana

Leslie Popple and Duncan Fraser Outstanding In Horsemanship; Contests Win Much Applause

By "The Chaser"

THE Cathedral Boys' School held a successful gymkhana yesterday at the Ascot Riding School and the good crowd that were in attendance applauded time after time the ability of the capable boys. About 29 boys competed in the gymkhana. Leslie Popple and Duncan Fraser were particularly outstanding and displayed keen co-ordination with the pony in the jumping event. The Juniors were the first to ride and considering that many were only beginners they did very well indeed in controlling the ponies at a walk, trot and canter.

Prizes went to I. Jackson and J. Murray as the best in the Seat and Hands event. The Bending race was won by R. Davies and R. Cheetham who weaved through the upright without a fault.

The Ball and Bucket race produced quite a bit of excitement and eventually P. Tamlyn and A. Balch were returned the winners in their respective races. Two of the more unlucky competitors did not even get near enough to drop the ball in the bucket when their ponies refused to have anything to do with the event and carried the little lads out of the paddock quite against their will.

Recalcitrant Ponies

The trick of bolting out of the paddock seemed to be a favourite with the ponies and in the next event, Junior Jumping, every pony tried to slide through the opening when passing it, put grim determination on the part of the riders who had them back in no time. The only clean round was made by R. Davies on Big Bill and the first prize consequently went to him. P. N. Bates and Jackson displayed good horsemanship and timing in forcing their stubborn ponies over the obstacles and it is unfortunate that they should have lost the decision by small faults.

The Senior boys were of course better than the Juniors and the first event, the Bending race, was won by E. T. Krogh on Ewwic while P.R.F. Griffin was next best on Driver. The Saddle Race was a good test of ability and knowledge and the boys who participated in this event seemed to know all the ins and outs of saddling a pony. Duncan Fraser, however, was the fastest of them all and took first prize by a narrow margin. The Egg and Spoon race was also won by Duncan Fraser who carried his "egg" up and down the length of the paddock without dropping it.

The Ball and Bucket race proved to be an exciting event and Duncan Frost and P.R.F. Griffin were the winners in their section. Leslie Popple who applied the safety first method of putting the ball in his pocket before dashing to his bucket did not find it very profitable nor wise and found great difficulty in taking the balls out of his pocket—much to the amusement of the spectators!

Elusive "Chair"

The test of luck was the Musical Chairs—but instead of chairs several boys stood in the middle of the paddock and acted as pillars while the competitors cantered round the ring to the tune of the Lambeth Walk. The event fell to Leslie Popple who outwitted the runner-up, by riding him off but when he approached the "chair", in the form of Master Duncan Fraser, it started to run away and evaded the two competitors. After a few minutes of chasing the elusive "chair," Popple had a "brain wave" and jumped off his pony to tag the "chair".

The Open Jumping event was won by Leslie Popple again who was the only competitor to do a faultless round. The last event of the day was the Pony Club Open Jumping event and Miss Vabi Oxholm was the only girl to do a clean round and thus took the first prize.

Dr. W. R. Johnstone, Mrs. W. R. Johnstone, Mr. A. E. Arnold, Mr. G. E. Arnhold and Mr. N. I. Krikoriantz acted as judges while Mrs. W. R. Johnstone presented the prizes to the successful competitors at the end of the gymkhana. Mr. R. L. Heath, the Riding Master of the Cathedral School, should be congratulated on the way he has trained these boys and the perfect running of the gymkhana which went off with clock-like precision from beginning to end.

Every Seat Occupied

This was the first gymkhana to be held since the formation of the riding classes less than a year ago.

About 180 visitors were present, including Bishop Curtis and the Rev. P. C. Matthews, the Head Master. By 2.30 p.m., every available seat was occupied.

In addition to the usual prizes for each event, a special prize for the greatest progress was presented by Col. J. W. Hornby and was won by J. Greenfield. A similar prize for junior boys was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and this went to R. Bourne.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Scene at the Gymkhana

Interesting competition took place yesterday when the Cathedral School held a Gymkhana at the Ascot Riding School. The picture shows some of the boys who took part in the contests.

More Records Fall In Ten-Pin Play

Triple Mark Shattered by Deegan's 635; Marines' Team Score the Best

Two new individual records were established in Monday's competition in the Shanghai Commercial Ten Pins League.

Jimmy Deegan rolled a splendid triple of 635 to shatter the former score, set by Cushman by five pins. In making the record, he also equalled the league's high single record of 233 garnered by Watton. The other new mark was put up by the First Battalion U.S. Marines who made a team triple of 2,591, eclipsing the former tally made by the Lawyers-Auditors of 2,578.

The Exporters, led by Gray and Lemont, scored a fine victory over the hitherto leading Second Battalion U.S. Marines in a crucial match in the Softwood Section by 3-0, thereby rising from second to first place.

In the Hardwood Section the Lawyers-Auditors maintained the lead but they dropped the season's first game to Texaco, winning by the odd game in three. The First Battalion U.S. Marines ran a close second by capturing all three games from the Insurance team.

The scores, with the exception of the match between Brokers and Automobile which was undecided, follow:—

HARDWOOD SECTION

"Y" Secretaries (3)	815	729	796	2,340
Banks (0)	733	719	673	2,125
Auditors-Lawyers (2)	812	833	841	2,486
Texaco (1)	874	783	755	2,412
1st Bn. Marines (3)	833	882	866	2,591
Insurance (0)	747	766	737	2,250

SOFTWOOD SECTION

Accountants (2)	783	845	795	2,423
Yee Tsoong (1)	792	804	743	2,339
Hq. Marines (2)	789	844	910	2,543
Chemicals (1)	746	874	843	2,463
2nd Bn. Marines (0)	756	814	819	2,389
Exporters (3)	907	827	840	2,574
Post-Mercury (2)	825	785	752	2,362
Telephone Co. (1)	716	725	799	2,240

SOFTWOOD SECTION

	Won	Lost
Exporters	12	3
2nd Bn. Marines	11	4
Hdq. Marines	8	7
Accountants	7	8
Chemicals	6	9
Post-Mercury	6	9
Yee Tsoong	5	10
Telephone	4	11

HARDWOOD SECTION

Lawyers-Auditors	14	1
1st Bn. Marines	12	3
Insurance	8	7
Texaco	8	7
"Y" Secretaries	6	9
Banks	4	11
Brokers	4	8
Automobile	1	11

LEAGUE RECORDS

Single.—Watton and Deegan, 233
Triple.—Deegan, 635.
Team Single.—Yee Tsoong, 964.
Team Triple.—1st Bn. Marines, 2,591.

German Rugby Players Beat S. Africans

Winners Overtake Visitors In Second Half

Berlin, Apr. 11.

In their first match on German soil, the South African team was soundly beaten by a Lower Saxony team at Hanover today, the final score being eight to three against the visitors.

At the end of the first half, the score was nil to three in favour of the South Africans, but the Germans displayed fine form and excellent team work and soon assumed the lead in the second half.

From Hanover, the visiting team is proceeding to southern Germany, matches being scheduled in Frankfurt-on-Main, Heidelberg and Stuttgart.—Trans-Ocean.

RUGBY UNION RESULTS

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 10.

Following are results of matches in the Rugby Union played today:—

Aberavon 18, Devonport Services 6
Bath 3, O.M.T. 7
Bridgend 7, Coventry 11
Bristol 9, Northampton 0
Cardiff 9, Harlequins 8
Gloucester 6, Sale 0
Manchester 13, North of Ireland 0
Neath 25, Nuneaton 11
Newport 11, London Welsh 6
Plymouth Albion 3, Leicester 10
Swansea 12, Barbarians 3
Waterloo 16, Birkenhead Park 4
Blackheath 25, Old Cheltonians 3
Bedford 28, Otley 5
Cross Keys 15, Risca 4
Llanelly 22, Dolphin 8
Pontypool 18, English Combined Universities 6
Weston-Super-Mare 3, Moseley 29
—Reuter.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 10.

Following are results of matches in the Rugby League played today:—

Batley 6, Featherstone R. 12
Bradford N. 9, Barrow 14
Bramley 7, Dewsbury 16
Castleford 20, Leeds 11
Huddersfield 38, St. Helens R. 12
Hull 31, York 9
Hunslet 4, Hull Kingston R. 0
Keighley 7, Oldham 21
Leigh 3, Swinton 22
Liverpool 3, Halifax 5
Salford 17, Wigan 12
St. Helens 36, Rochdale H. 8
Warrington 20, Broughton R. 3
Widnes 22, Wakefield Trinity 7
—Reuter.

Army Football Cup to Royal Artillery

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Aldershot, Apr. 10.

The 9th Field Regiment of the Royal Artillery today won the Army Association Football Cup, beating the 2nd Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry by one goal to nil in the final.—Reuter.

Championship Won By Pote-Hunt

Final Challenge of Keyes Stayed Off on Last Night Of Ten-Pin Play

With the help of a splendid single of 226 in his second game and a fine performance in his two previous rounds, Jimmy Pote-Hunt stayed off a severe challenge by Keyes, U.S. Marine star, last night in the third and final round to capture the year's major ten pins laurels, the Men's Singles Championship.

The Marine pinman had the advantage of bowling at the Marines Club alley and gained the highest triple in the series with a score of 609, with respective singles of 169, 230, 210.

Deegan Drops Down

Jimmy Deegan, who placed second in the two early rounds, failed to maintain his position and dropped to fifth berth.

Fiori, another Marine contender, made a big jump from fourteenth to fourth position as he garnered an excellent single of 246 in the second frame.

The complete results were:—

Pote-Hunt	175	226	178	579	1,723
Keyes	169	230	210	609	1,716
Campbell	187	200	175	562	1,676
Fiori	173	246	171	590	1,655
Deegan	181	168	157	506	1,635
Huebner	195	160	160	515	1,628
Cushman	193	197	184	574	1,626
Schmid	140	234	177	551	1,622
Winecoff	208	167	160	535	1,614
Adams	126	160	186	572	1,610
Larcher	189	159	148	456	1,594
Fitzjarrell	195	189	174	558	1,589
Hilden	179	162	171	512	1,587
Krause	149	184	153	516	1,575
Hartnett	160	186	169	515	1,570
Moseler	166	171	138	485	1,567
Funk	168	200	193	561	1,559
Clark	143	233	206	582	1,548
Messersmith	222	178	185	585	1,545
Butler	179	115	158	452	1,520
Klovekorn	128	198	148	474	1,520
Bourne	170	160	160	490	1,519
Gonsalves	125	122	176	423	1,498
Leekney	166	160	148	474	1,498
Chanturai	175	160	158	493	1,495
Lesch	154	169	195	518	1,492
Lamont	181	179	169	529	1,473
Kolwyck	138	183	158	479	1,467
Schudilch	184	188	122	494	1,449
Morang	104	176	144	424	1,432
Eisenhut	160	160	167	487	1,425
Wilson	155	160	155	470	1,411
Maddox	146	162	180	488	1,411
Jacobs	158	110	179	447	1,408
Gensburger	157	158	147	462	1,407
H. M. Smith Jr.	118	144	186	424	1,406
Fuller	157	152	148	457	1,397
Fevurly	164	162	136	462	1,394
Respess	143	147	138	428	1,387
Lurton	162	127	156	445	1,359
Watton	160	205	155	520	1,345
Ward	119	118	155	392	1,253

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Britain Retains World Hockey Championship

Record Kept Clean When Italy Succumbs 4-1

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Montreux, Apr. 11.

Great Britain, the holder, retained both the World and European Rink Hockey Championships when the finals were played here today.

She defeated Italy by 4-1, thus winning all six matches.

Great Britain has been unbeaten in the international competitions for the past twelve years.

Portugal met Italy in an earlier match, and Portugal won by 2-1.

The Italian team protested, however, and the match was replayed privately.

Italy then won by five goals to one.—Reuter.

Racing Contributes to Refugee Relief Fund

Total Expected to Be $20,000 by Saturday

The Refugee Relief Fund is being swelled considerably by local racing these days. It was announced yesterday that the total turnover at the International Recreation Club's Meeting was over six lakhs and of that amount 2 per cent. or $12,340 will go to the refugees. It has also been decided to take $1 from every Champions ticket sold for the fund and as 5,000 tickets have been sold already, the Refugee Relief Fund is certain to get over $17,000 and it is hoped that with the sale of more tickets, the amount will be increased to $20,000.

New Golf Record

New York, Apr. 8.

Bryon Nelson, the Ryder Cup. player, set up a new 54 hole tournament record when he won the £500 Phoenix Open Golf event with a score 198. He had two rounds of 65 and finished fifteen strokes under par and twelve ahead of his nearest rival, Ben Hogan, of White Plains, New York. The match was at Phoenix, Arizona.—Reuter.

Golf Flourishes Over Easter

Stephenson Wins Cup at Hungjao; Honours Taken By Pratt at Seekingjao

With over a hundred entries for the Points against Par competitions played at Seekingjao over the Easter holidays and a large number of members playing every day, full advantage was taken of the facilities afforded the Shanghai Golf Club to enjoy their Seekingjao Course. The recent spring weather has brought the course forward a great deal and fairways are being cut while the excellent Japanese greens will soon need similar treatment. A number of improvements are being carried out to the Course itself which, while not interfering in any way with play while being carried out, will considerably improve many holes and, in certain cases, give players of careless shots their deserved punishment.

The following are the results of the Points against Par Competitions played from Friday to Monday last.

"A" CLASS

	Score	H'cap	Nett
A. Pratt	28	6	34
R. T. Dwyer	29	3¾	32¾
L. Saphiere	26	6¾	32¾
B. J. Wall	25	7½	32½
L. D. Carson	27	5¼	32¼

"B" CLASS

H. R. Fielding	22	12¾	34¾
J. Stevenson	23	11¼	34¼
W. Russell	12	18	30
F. C. B. Black	17	11¼	28¼
A. D. Denton	13	15	28

Captain's Prize at Hungjao

K. G. Stephenson was the winner of the Captain's Prize, presented by Mr. C. B. Ogilvie, and played for during the Easter Holidays over eighteen holes against Bogey. A tie for second place resulted between A. Ricketts and T. S. Powell. The results were:—

	H'cap	
K. G. Stephenson	(12)	One up
A. Ricketts	Scratch	All Square
T. S. Powell	(20)	All Square
H. F. B. Gardener	(14)	One down
G. D. Nicholl	(2)	Two down
E. G. Smith-Wright	(11)	Two down
D. R. Glass	(6)	Three down
W. J. Hawkings	(6)	Three down

108 Entries.

Bois Roussel May Race Rockfel Soon

Derby and Oaks Winners Might Meet

London, Apr. 8.

It was announced at a meeting of shareholders of Chester Race Company that there is a prospect of Bois Roussel and Rockfel, respective winners of the Derby and Oaks last year, meeting at Chester races. Both have been entered for the Ormonde Stakes to be run over one mile and five furlongs on May 4.

Should they meet it would be one of the titbits of the English flat racing season, as many people consider Rockfel the better of the two. This argument is backed up by the watch, as Rockfel won the Oaks in faster time than that of Bois Roussel in the Derby.—Reuter.

Holland Beats Scotland In Hockey

Amsterdam, Apr. 11.

The Netherlands' hockey team beat Scotland yesterday 4-0 (halftime 1-1). The Netherlands played extremely well, the best part of the team being the forwards who were very fast and technically better than the Scots.—Trans-Ocean.

Derby Favourite Fails to Place

London, Apr. 10.

At Kempton Park today, the present Derby favourite, Foxbrough II, starting favourite at 6/4 ran unplaced in the Coventry Three-year-Old Stakes run over a distance of one mile.

There were sixteen starters and the race was won by Southport (100/8) who beat Rogerstone Castle (5/2) by two lengths. Lemanouc (25/1) ran third, being beaten by short-head for second place.

This was Foxbrough's first defeat.—Reuter.

Local Ladies' Title to Mrs. Malleck

Mrs. McDonnell Second in Ten Pins Competition

Benefited by a lead of 68 pins in the first two rounds, Mrs. Malleck captured the Shanghai Ladies Ten Pins Singles Championship at the Columbia Country Club yesterday evening when the third and final round was played off.

The champion gave a mediocre performance but the advantage she had previously was enough to put her through. Mrs. McDonnell, the highest scorer in the Inter-Club League, came in second, being 33 pins behind. Finished third was Miss McIntyre, another twenty pins in arrears.

The full results were as follows:

Mrs. Malleck	162	149	129	440	1,511
Mrs. McDonnell	171	147	157	475	1,478
Miss McIntyre	146	183	190	519	1,458
Mrs. Hale	148	150	163	501	1,406
Miss Hykes	175	125	188	488	1,395
Mrs. Kwok	139	147	137	423	1,331
Mrs. Horton	139	174	168	481	1,327
Mrs. Davis	154	156	180	490	1,305
Mrs. Gray III	153	185	143	481	1,300
Mrs. Evans	149	146	138	433	1,291
Mrs. Collaco	142	158	138	438	1,278
Mrs. Deegan	124	138	163	425	1,269
Mrs. Nelson	158	154	181	493	1,248
Mrs. Cardwell	127	176	123	426	1,234
Mrs. Jensen	161	138	142	441	1,206
Mrs. Ryan	166	109	156	431	1,185
Mrs. Manney	121	119	154	394	1,162
Mrs. Krulak	131	154	129	414	1,096
Miss Donaldson	118	118	185	421	1,095
Mrs. Harvey	102	127	156	385	964

Qualifying Figures for Field Events Raised

London, Apr. 8.

The qualifying figures for the field events in the 1940 Games have been announced by the International Amateur Athletic Federation. In several cases the qualifying marks have been put higher than those of the 1936 Olympics in Berlin.

Here is a comparative table:—

	1940 (Helsinski) ft.	in.	1936 (Berlin) ft.	in.
High Jump	6	1¾	6	1
Long Jump	23	7¾	23	5¾
Pole Vault	12	9½	12	5½
Hop, Step and Jump	47	6	46	
Discuss	147	7¾	144	4¼
Javelin	213	3	196	10¼
Hammer	160	9¼	150	11

—Reuter.

Subject of Darts

By Nineteen Split

Having been chased all over town by irate R.S.M.s and other booby-prize winners for my scathing comments of their extraordinary feats in the Shanghai Open Darts League tournament play, I am somewhat dubious about commenting on the match between Central Police Station and the Area Details side at Tifeng Road on Friday evening. That it was a narrow win for the "cops," however, goes without saying, but the policemen were completely off their game, and from what could be seen of things, it's quite obvious that they cannot play tip-top darts without pints—or should it be gallons?

Even Wimsett, who seldom fails to knock-up one throw of at least 140 per game, couldn't exceed the century mark! So you can see for yourselves just how handicapped the lads from Central Station were. After the match the visitors were heard to remark that it was one of the toughest matches they had yet played. Tough is right—"tough" luck, a "tough" board and "tough" opponents were the order of the night.

The Details won the toss and were away to a flying start, with Central floundering among the flower-beds unable to secure a hit among the borders. With a 600 point lead, the soldiers ran out easy winners in the first frame and very naturally they imagined that their policemen opponents were "easy meat."

The second leg was almost a repetition of the first, but several accurate (or lucky) throws by Bloor of the Old Bull & Bush, who was concentrating on the treble 19, brought both teams level for the final double. It was here that the Central skipper performed one of his brilliant and very rare feats (only the third in six months' play), when in desperation he toed the line and drove one of his "battering-ram" type darts (made in a local foundry and complete with flights fashioned from an out-of-date and well-worn lampshade) square into the double ten, thus putting his side level with the soldiers.

The deciding game saw the homesters away on the trot once more, but Central Station with a well-placed double one, got into their usual scoring stride and cantered past the Details to win the game and match, Gammie securing the necessary double 3, as the Army side was coming into the final straight with a terrific burst of speed.

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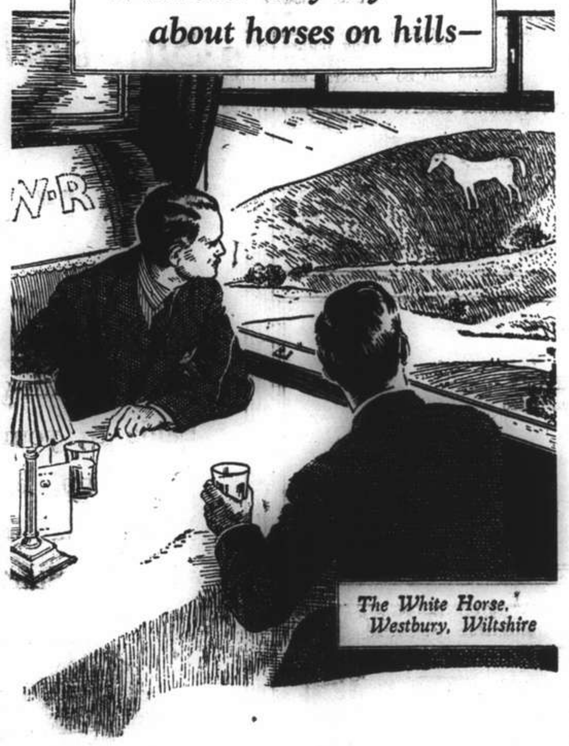

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Twice Occupied Shansi Town Leaves Grim Impression

Correspondent Welcomed by Population Still Living Among Ruins; Home-made Weapons Used

FROM REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

With the Chinese forces somewhere in Shansi, Apr. 2.

A RUINED Chinese town which had twice been occupied by the Japanese was encountered in the course of my travels in Shansi. Leaving Heilungkuan with an escort of three cavalry troopers, I rode to the town of Puhsien, in south-west Shansi, roughly midway between the Tungpu Railway and the Yellow River.

On our way we stopped to drink hot water and rest our horses at a lonely hamlet of three huts, where a single family was busy lighting a fire. They had been hiding in mountain caves all day, they said, for fear of the Japanese, who had been there once before, had seized everything they possessed and had burned the doors and windows of their huts.

We rode on towards Puhsien, a neat little town lying at the confluence of two streams in a valley surrounded by hills. As we drew nearer, the peaceful appearance of the town was belied, blackened ruins showed themselves at every hand.

We entered through the southern suburb. Once a busy shopping centre, it was now deserted. Every building had been burned, and only masses of charred beams and gaunt, tumbling walls remained.

The city wall had been torn down by the Chinese themselves in order to permit the guerillas free access during the Japanese occupation, making the town difficult to hold securely. Within the walls, the town itself was in but little better shape. Public buildings, schools and temples had all been destroyed, as had been most of the dwellings.

There were a few people in the streets, and trade was being carried out at a sorry handful of small shops and pedlars' booths. My guides and I were given rooms in a half-burned house where, owing to haste, the work of destruction had been only partly successful. The premises had once been occupied by a prosperous Chinese family.

Magistrate's Welcome

Soon the magistrate of Puhsien came to welcome us, and told us something of local conditions.

The town, which normally contained more than 2,000 people, was now, he said, inhabited by only 20 to 30 families. This was because, of the order to the people to evacuate and remove all their belongings given recently when a Japanese force had reached Heifungkuan. The people at present to be seen in the streets, he explained, had either returned in the past few days, when news of the halting of the Japanese advance had been received, or had come from the hills at night to visit their homes.

"The Japanese have twice occupied Puhsien previously," the magistrate told me. "The first time they burned exactly four-fifths of the town, and killed 600 inhabitants of the district before being driven out. That took place in March, 1938. They came again at the end of last year, but little was left to be burned, and they only killed 18 persons in the whole district, because the people, organized by then, knew what to do. That time we drove them through the mountains in retreat, and slaughtered many of them."

Home-made Sword and Pistol

Replying to questions concerning their means of defence, the magistrate gave a brief order to a messenger, who disappeared, and shortly returned bearing a Chinese sword and a pistol.

"This sword," the magistrate said, "was made from parts of the chassis of a captured Japanese motor-lorry. The whole district is now armed with these weapons. We made several hundreds of them, as well as a large quantity of agricultural implements for farm use here.

"On the first visit of the Japanese, we destroyed the road as they retreated, forcing them to abandon 200 motor-lorries, which we captured. We used many of the motors to supply power for our small plants in mountains, and then beat the remaining steel into weapons and tools."

The magistrate showed me a pistol. "An ordinary village blacksmith made this, using a hand forge," he said. "The man had no training as a gunsmith. It is made from steel obtained from those lorries."

The weapon was crudely finished, resembling in general outline a Mauser pistol. It used 6.5 millimetre rifle cartridges, either Chinese or Japanese; was a single-shot smoothbore, and had a simple, most ingenious ejector device.

The magistrate told me that the blacksmith, with two assistants, was able to make two of these pistols each day at a cost of less than five dollars each. They were issued to local defence force, only regulars having better arms. Each expended cartridge, he said, was carefully retrieved and reloaded six times.

He showed me how one man, holding a spare cartridge between the fingers of his left hand, could fire and reload almost as fast as he could with a rifle. With some misgivings, I later fired the weapon. It has a tremendous recoil, drives a rifle bullet with a force far exceeding that of any similar arm, and is sufficiently accurate for the distances for which it is likely to be used.

"Resist for Ever"

The next morning we rode to the Yellow River, the entire population of Puhsien, numbering some 150 men, women and children, turning out to see us off.

"They have been greatly cheered by your visit," the magistrate told me. "You are the first stranger to come here since the war began, and they feel they are not forgotten by the outside world."

As we left to climb a steep trail into the hills, the people shouted slogans such as "Resist for ever," and stood watching us till we were out of sight.

On our way out of the town we passed a yard in which stood the remains of some half dozen Japanese lorries, the remnants of a captured convoy. Our guide, a member of the local defence force, described the fighting around the town three months previously, in which he had participated. He pointed out with relish the graves with which the hill slopes were dotted, telling how many men were buried in each.

"Eighteen soldiers there," he said pointing to one mound.

"The gully below is full of dead Chinese and Japanese: look!" he exclaimed, indicating a grassy ledge where a human skull and a heap of bones lay bleaching in the sunshine.

"When the Japanese supplies were running short owing to our attacks on their convoys," he said, "we retook the hills around the town, which they were then obliged to abandon. Then we pursued them through the mountains, ambushing and attacking at every turn.

"Now they are trying to come here again for the third time. Perhaps they will, but we who know the country will attack them unawares, take them by surprise and cut their communicaions till they are obliged to retreat again.

"What the Japanese have done in this province has made us determined to fight them to the bitter end."—Reuter.

Tokyo Ex-Officials Given Sinecures

Commercial World Resent Allotting of Directors

Tokyo, Apr. 10.

The system of appointing ex-Government officials as directors in corporations which are largely financed by Government funds has been the subject of serious criticism in the Diet.

For example, the vice-Minister of Communications has accepted the post of vice-president of the recently-formed huge electric monopoly, the Japan Electric Generation Company.

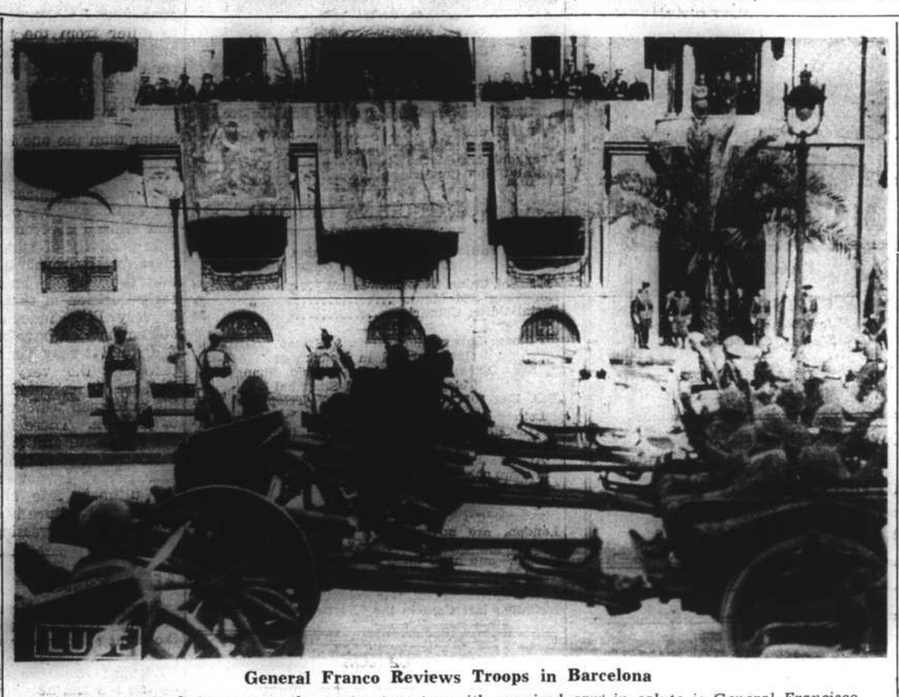
The political parties have protested strongly against such practices in concerns which are under Government supervision.

The appointment of many Government officials to high posts in national-policy companies immediately following their resignations has caused much ill-feeling. The tendency has become more pronounced since the war in China resulted in a huge industrial boom. Critics declare that a personnel gathered on the basis of the self-interest of the bureaucrats does not meet the actual needs of the companies.

Corruption Feared

The Government has been forcing nationalized companies to receive Government officials as their directors. Suspicion is naturally aroused about "deals" that may possibly be made between Government officials and these institutions and corruption is liable to follow, says the "Chugai Shogyo," a leading financial daily.

The "Chugai Shogyo" adds: "In short, there can be little question that this practice brings about various evils. When the political parties first objected to it, the Government answered that it was necessary for the execution of Government supervision. We cannot understand such an attitude. The Government can fulfill its responsibility for protection and supervision by regulations. There is no need for it to let officials be appointed directors of thees institutions."—Reuter.



General Franco Reviews Troops in Barcelona

Standing on the balcony over the centre tapestry with upraised arm in salute is General Francisco Franco, conqueror of Spain, reviewing his troops after the capture of Barcelona. A parade of 50,000 Spaniards, Italians and Germans passed before him with impressive array of weapons.

France Preparing For Emergency

M. Bonnet to Report on Joint Diplomatic Moves With Britain for Pacts

Paris, Apr. 11.

An exposition of recent international events will be presented by the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, when he speaks before the Cabinet meeting today at 4 p.m. This meeting was originally to meet tomorrow afternoon.

M. Georges Bonnet

M. Bonnet will deal chiefly with parleys being pursued by Paris and London, and the capitals of Balkan and Eastern Europe. The practical results of these negotiations were hastened by the latest international events, it was pointed out by competent observers who also emphasized the close unity of views and action between Britain and France, as proved once again during the Easter crisis when the two countries took parallel diplomatic and military measures. Similar political and diplomatic activity will be continued during the coming week.

At today's Cabinet meeting, the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, will also make a statement on yesterday's conference of the Permanent Supreme Committee for National Defence which discussed and perhaps even decided on certain measures to be taken in the event of an emergency, it was stated.

The Chamber of Deputies' Foreign Affairs Committee was summoned to meet tomorrow afternoon to hear a detailed report on the French Government's position in present international affairs. The report will be presented by M. Jean Mistler, President of the Committee.

The Council of Ministers will also meet tomorrow, under President Albert Lebrun, to discuss decisions that might be adopted at today's Cabinet conference.—Havas.

Mediterranean Issues

Paris, Apr. 10.

Tomorrow's meeting of the Cabinet will be devoted to a close study of the situation in the Balkans and the Mediterranean. Although it was stated at the Quai d'Orsay tonight that Great Britain had no intention of occupying Corfu, it is regarded as certain that co-operative security measures by Great Britain and France will be discussed.

Although it is stated in official quarters tonight that the atmosphere is considered less tense, plainly France is leaving nothing to chance.—Reuter.

COLLEGE students are not immune to the tragedies of life. Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men at the Pennsylvania State College, has found that each week 18 of Penn State's 6,990 students are absent from classes because of deaths in their immediate families.

OBITUARIES

Mr. R. Arai

Riverside, Conn., Apr. 10.

Mr. Rioichiro Arai, director of Morimura, Arai & Co., importers, died here today at the age of 85. He was one of the founders of the Japanese-American silk trade in which he served for 60 years.—United Press.

Admiral Sir Stanley Colville

Crawley Down, Sussex, Apr. 11.

Admiral Sir Stanley Colville, retired, died here last night of pneumonia at the age of 78. He was a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour, formerly a Principal Naval A.D.C. to the King and former Commander-in-Chief of Portsmouth.—United Press.

Turkey Lifts Ban on Japanese Tea

Tokyo, Apr. 11.

Turkey has lifted her ban on Japanese tea, and will also permit the importation of Japanese cotton textiles beyond their present import quota, the Foreign Office was officially informed this morning. Japan has been buying more Turkish goods than it has been selling to Turkey.—Domei.

Washington Fears War Outbreak

President Roosevelt And Mr. Hull Taking Very Serious View

Washington, Apr. 10.

President Roosevelt returned from his ten-day holiday in Warm Springs, Georgia, at 11.15 a.m. today and immediately conferred with the State Secretary, Mr. Cordell Hull, upon the international situation. Later Mr. Hull informed the press that tension in Europe caused an exodus of capital to the United States. This, he stated, might serve considerably to decrease the eventual purchasing power of the European countries. He had "nothing to say" on the possible despatch of a Note of protest to Italy over the invasion of Albania. Informed quarters believe the Administration might send such a Note but the Government will meanwhile probably recall its Minister in Tirana, Mr. Hugh Grant, as the provisional Administrative Committee's proclamation of allegiance to Rome has destroyed Albanian independence. Similar action was taken over Czechoslovakia.

European War Feared

Nervousness and pessimism prevalent in White House and State Department quarters was well reflected in President Roosevelt's declaration yesterday before leaving Warm Springs that war my break out before Autumn.

Mr. Hull's comment today on the inflow of foreign capital only stresses the impossibility for the United States to ignore repercussions upon the American economic system.

Politicians pointed out that both President Roosevelt and Mr. Hull, and most of the State Department leaders, are convinced that affairs are coming to a head, which, it is feared, will prove to be a decisive war between the group of nations trying to restrain the dictators by creating an anti-aggression front, and the Rome-Berlin Powers, whose programme aims at the partition of "zones of influence" among themselves in Central, Eastern and Balkan Europe and in the Mediterranean. In such a case, the Administration is decided to give active diplomatic support to Britain and France, keen observers declared today.

Political commentators also stated that foreign policy leaders now wish to intensify their "educational campaign" not only among the people of the United States, but also in Congressional quarters, that the Government's present attitude and the decisions that it may take in future to aid Paris and London, will actually be of great value.

They wish to influence, if it is possibly, the debates that will shortly be held in Congress on the problem of revising or amending the Neutrality Act, to assure the extension of efficacious assistance to France and Britain in war.—Havas.

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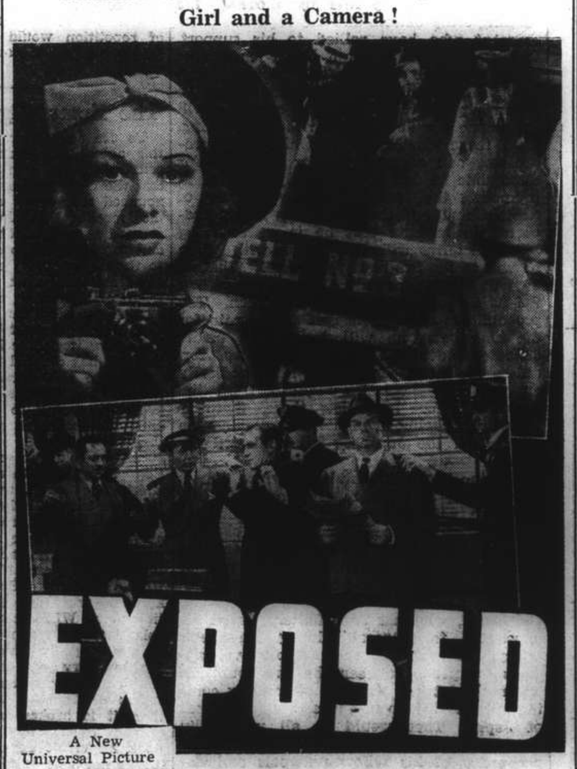

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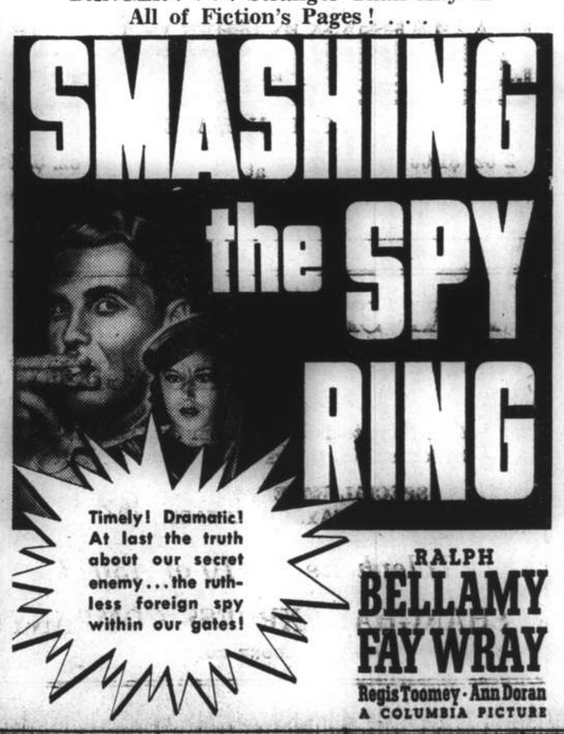

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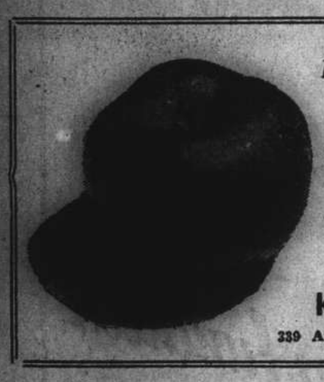

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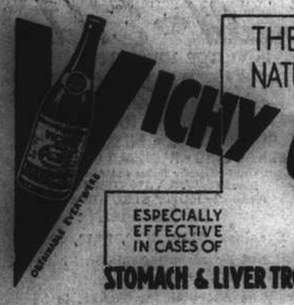

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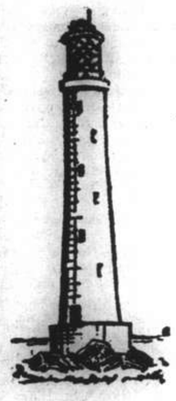

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The report that General Kenji Doihara has been sent back to active service, and that Lieut.-General Seiichi Kita has been appointed head of the Japanese liaison agency in North China, if correct, is one of the most outstanding developments in the China situation of recent months. It is significant also as throwing a clear light upon the recent attempts to persuade General Wu Pei-fu to emerge from his retirement and assume the rôle of Pacification Commissioner in North China, for the purpose of restoring law and order, and enabling the edicts of the provisional government in Peiping to run over a larger area than they do at present. It will be remembered that, on several occasions during the past few months, reports have been issued to the effect that General Wu was yielding to Japanese pressure to throw in his lot with those other Chinese who were prepared to set up some sort of government under the Japanese ægis. Those reports were offset by statements attributed to General Wu which suggested that, even if he were considering the Japanese suggestions, he had not yet arrived at a decision to acquiesce in the Japanese desire. There was nothing in the nature of a definite denial at any time, though from the accounts which were published from time to time the demands which the General made were such that the Japanese could not possibly grant. The matter thus hung fire without a decisive announcement being made by either side, and the general impression was created that if the Japanese had not yet succeeded in enticing the General into their fold, they were not without hopes of eventually doing so. The replacement of Gen. Doihara by Lieut.-General Kita is to be taken as an indication that Gen. Doihara's latest intrigue has failed, and despite the remarkable number of successes that officer had obtained during the last decade, he is being removed to make room for someone who may prove more successful in this instance.

To the failure to bring General Wu into the fold must be added that of the movement initiated by Mr. Wang Ching-wei, whose withdrawal from General Chiang Kai-shek it was hoped would bring about a division of the support which the Generalissimo at present commands, and accelerate that peace which the Japanese must by now desire as much as the Chinese themselves. Both movements have up to now been unproductive of results, and it is reported that other plans are now being devised in the carrying out of which Gen. Doihara will have no part. The many successful intrigues which Gen. Doihara has conducted since 1932, in which he secured Japanese domination of North China, naturally increased the Chinese hatred for him, and to a certain degree this present reverse which he has suffered may be attributed to the successes he attained. If ever a man were the victim of his own undoubted ability that man must be Gen. Doihara. It is apparently believed in Tokyo, or at any rate by those of the ranking army officers and the Japanese Government who have rallied to his support, that General Kita has a better chance of conciliating the Chinese and securing that co-operation which the Japanese forces in China hope to obtain. In any event he will commence his new work without suffering, from those disadvantages which his predecessor had accumulated for himself. For some time he has been actively engaged in promoting the "provisional government" of North China, and there has been nothing reported to indicate that he is on anything but good terms with the persons with whom he will in the future have to deal. Whether he will attempt again to bring General Wu Pei-fu into line remains to be seen. The probabilities seem to be that at any rate for the time being he will leave that astute Chinese leader to his own resources, for, unless the latter changes his ideas radically on the concessions he requires from the Japanese before he assists them, there is very little likelihood of his ever playing the rôle which the Japanese have selected for him.

That he has a difficult task before him is apparent to all who observe developments in China with any degree of interest. Up to the present the Japanese have signally failed to induce any really imposing Chinese figure, one which commands the respect of a large section of the people, to come forward to their assistance. Even Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who has so definitely stated his opposition to General Chiang Kai-shek's policy, and issued such impressive appeals for peace between the two countries, has not yet taken the step of actually coming out into the open, and serving the cause of Japan. That would in all probability earn for him the hatred of an overwhelming proportion of his fellow nationals and deprive him of much of the respect which even now he commands, for it is one thing to differ from the policy of a government, and something entirely more censurable to come out into the open and actively work for its enemies. For these reasons it may be safely said that Lieut.-General Kita has no easy task in front of him, certainly no easier than the one in connection with which his predecessor has failed. It may be that Gen. Doihara has already explored the limits of Chinese complacency in the areas which the Japanese have overrun, and that he will find himself confronted with that imperturbable passivity of which the Chinese are past masters. It must always be remembered that the Chinese have never looked for an early decision of this China Incident. There is very little indeed to show that earlier determinations have in any way been modified, and it may very well prove to be the case that the very successes which Gen. Doihara has secured in the past may leave his successor with a remarkably bad wicket to play on. There is such a thing as being too successful and it still remains for history to show whether the fate of the Japanese "Lawrence" is not in fact a precursor of the ultimate fate of his country in this military adventure into China which is by no means unembarrassing to it.

After Easter

Shanghai resumed its normal business routine yesterday after the Easter holidays which, from the point of view of weather, were very pleasant. All communities enjoyed the break in workaday life at a time of the year when Spring has lost her shyness and is clothed in a beauty which will attain complete florescence in the next week or two. Internationally, Easter was unusual this year because three great churches celebrated the religious festival together without the usual lag customary of one calendar. There was, however, one manifestation of regret and that arose from the limitations on the means of spending the holiday. Hedged in by political circumstances which, as has been remarked, make Shanghai one vast internment camp rather than a free city, people had very few places to visit in order to extract from this break in routine the utmost of pleasure which a large population, hungry for the sight and enjoyment of green and unconfined spaces, so desperately needs if life is to yield its riches. Within the foreign areas, large numbers of people flocked to the parks, and Jessfield was one of the most popular spots. Many people went out riding, walking, motoring or cycling around Hungjao. A few went downriver to Gough Island and Battery Creek where this pleasant little place of week-end sojourns, so popular before the hostilities, has atmosphere to offer which the crowded foreign areas lack. Others took advantage of the week-end trips by foreign shipping companies to visit the Lower Yangtze delta, where Shanghai obtains much of its food supply, and came back reporting an enjoyable time. The main problem of getting out of Shanghai, however, remains unsolved. It is now nineteen months since the Sino-Japanese hostilities commenced and fifteen months since the Chinese troops were driven out of this area, but the barriers to "tourism" of the hinterland around Shanghai are as unassailable as they have ever been. A few fortunate people have made motor-car trips outside the foreign areas and report that the roads which were formerly traversed by hundreds of cars during week-ends and holidays are in fairly decent shape, but while the present situation continues it is impossible to entertain any hope for an early reopening of this highway system. Japanese reluctance to have motorists inspecting their military bases, and uncertainty caused by guerilla infiltration constitute obstacles which cannot be ignored. Perhaps by Easter next year things will be better but, notwithstanding all objections, it does seem that at least the immediate environs of Shanghai might be reopened, and the fact that golfers are permitted to use Seekingjao course once again is an indication that conditions are not too bad. Otherwise, why is the City Government of Greater Shanghai advertising the necessity for obtaining extra-Settlement licences.

Monday Night's Brawl

It is inevitable, in time of tension such as this, that ebullitions of national sentiment should occur in a cosmopolitan place such as Shanghai, and that fact is emphasized by the melée which occurred on Monday night at the Little Club. Shanghai every now and again has such cases of cabaret brawls, and it is just as well that they should be reduced to their proper perspective and regarded merely as such. It can safely be said that the officers, responsible for the men involved in the fight, are just as desirous that these affrays should not occur as any other law abiding person. Considerable indignation has been expressed in a number of letters which have reached the office of the "North-China Daily News" on the subject. They will not, however, be published, for they serve no good purpose and merely tend to exacerbate feelings already somewhat frayed. The only real question with which those responsible should concern themselves is as to how these outbreaks can be prevented in the future, for prevented they should undoubtedly be. It does not seem that the usual military police patrols are sufficient to maintain order at all the many spots where service men seek their diversions at night. Nor is it desirable that the various cabarets should be placed out of bounds to them. As a compromise it has been suggested that the various commands might agree as to what districts shall be out of bounds for their own men, with the idea of so arranging it that all can obtain a satisfactory degree of enjoyment, without necessarily coming into contact with each other. There are enough places of entertainment in Shanghai to permit of them being divided between the various foreign units in a manner which would lead to no minimizing of their enjoyment, and yet prevent such clashes as that on Monday night. If that were done, and done speedily, chances of repetition would be greatly reduced, and that is all that the average citizen of Shanghai wants.

The Ersatz Egg

To use a very graphic American expression, this autarchian business is likely to get into somebody's hair sooner or later. With the news that the German Farmer's Organization has announced that *ersatz* eggs will shortly come on the market, speculation must naturally be aroused as to how long it will be when farmers and the like will become entirely unnecessary to the State. *Ersatz* eggs, it is stated, are made from skimmed milk. They can be scrambled, fried and cooked in all the ways that the natural product can be prepared, though naturally there must be some cause for wonder as to how it can be boiled, unless the German scientist has devised an *ersatz* eggshell to surround the milk-derived yolk and white. This new development is reported to have become necessary owing to the scarcity of chicken's eggs. Be that as it may, the announcement of the *milei*, or "milk egg" as a possibility of the future open up an entrancing vista of speculation. Supposing there should come about a shortage of cows, and *ersatz* milk has to be resorted to. Will the *ersatz* milk provide the necessary for the production of substitute eggs, or will the hens be called upon to do a little more enthusiastic cackling than they appear to be doing at present? That remains to be seen. What the average Briton would dearly like to know is what will fried bacon and egg look like now. Will there be a delightfully yellow yolk floating in a pearly white, or will it just be a melange in which the two departments of the ordinary egg will be indistinguishable? Nothing can be worse than a broken fried egg, unless it is a *milei* which it matters not whether it is broken or not. Consequently the artistic breakfaster will undoubtedly insist upon his *ersatz* egg being carefully scrambled. It may not taste quite so well, but will certainly not be much of an offence to the eye.

IN PARENTHESIS

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Doubles or Quits

HAVE you heard about the Siamese twin who said to her sister: "You must have had a marvellous time last night, because I've got an awful hangover today?"

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One Plain, One Pearl

"YOUR teeth, my darling, are as lovely as pearls," murmured the husband devotedly.

"Oh, they are, are they?" snapped his wife. "Well, take that!"

And, as the unfortunate man nursed his smarting cheek, she demanded: "Now then, who's this hussy Pearl?"

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Misapprehension

AN elderly, white-haired man with a large green butterfly net was seen pursuing Lord Stamp in Piccadilly yesterday.

"You don't understand, officer," he said when he was taken into custody, "I want him for my collection, I collect stamps."

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Troubles

AFTER a year or two of married life a tired-looking man met his vicar and said:

"Do you remember telling me when I signed the register after my wedding that it was the end of all my troubles?"

"Why, yes," retorted the vicar, "but you will remember I did not say which end."

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New Foul Word

Now that "appeasement" has been laid aside, the foulest word in journalistic misuse is probably "luxury."

She gives delightfully intimate parties in her luxury flat....

His luxury yacht....

Luxury villas....

And one sees, with some surprise, that mere salt water has been used to put out a fire in a luxury liner now building.

What had happened to all the luxury water?

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London's Night Life

THE burglar lay on the police car floor
And uttered terrible words.
"Come, come," the grey-haired Sergeant said,
"Just think of the song of the birds,
The murmuring winds in the trees, my lad,
And the azure sky above,
The wee sweet smile of the daffodil
And the mystery of love."
The burglar swallowed a sob of remorse
And wiped away a tear.
"You've given my manhood back to me,
God bless you, Sergeant dear."

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Heard in Court

HUSBAND: I don't know why my wife keeps bringing me to court; she always pays the bus fares.

Clerk: When do you intend paying this debt?

Man: As soon after the final date you give me as possible.

Clerk: How long is it since you were first separated?

Woman: Six years, and it seems like yesterday.

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City Notes

STRANGE things happened on the Stock Exchange recently.

A broker uncertain whether he was a bull or a bear, borrowed a pair of antlers from the Senior Reform Club and hugged a tinplate magnate's wife.

His colleagues ran amok, flinging their silk hats into the air and dancing the contango, while the President of the Board of Trade wrote limericks on the backs of all the shares he could find.

Meanwhile, station buns hardened, beer flattened, elastic stretched, rain fell, Mr. Ernest Thesiger dropped a stitch, and the Bishop of London laughed to see such fun.

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Taken From Life

STERN and square-shouldered, the retired admiral strode into the hotel lounge.

The old ladies started up from their crochet patterns as the lusty, red-cheeked man yelled out in quarter-deck tones:—

"Porter!"

"Yes—sir?"

"What's that lying in the corner?" demanded the admiral.

"A lady's glove, sir."

"Then pick it up, my man!" roared the admiral. "Keep the decks clear, my man. We don't want women's gloves on the deck. Pick it up, you land lubber."

After which the admiral turned on his heel and strode off to the bowling green, muttering: "Gloves on the deck, indeed!"

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Moses the Otter

"MOSES the otter, one of the most popular figures at the Zoo, is dead from pneumonia...."

Mourn for Moses,
For Moses the otter,
Wail and cry!
Having been caught
He never thought
So soon to die—
Alas, he'd gotter

Sound for Moses
A mournful tucket,
Crash on crash!
For little Mo
Who had to go,
Reckless and rash,
And kick the bucket.

Cheerful Moses,
Moses the otter,
By luck was scorned.
He caught a cold.
They should have told—
They should have warned
An otter notter.

—By F. G. H. Salusbury in the "Daily Herald."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	53.5	Max.	70.5
Same date, 1938	Min.	47.5	Max.	69.5

Rainfall trace.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	54.3	Max.	69.8
Same date, 1938	Min.	40.8	Max.	71.4

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 10th:—Pressures rather normal and unsteady over China. South-westerly winds around Shantung: south-easterly along the China Coast. Cloudy weather in China with local drizzle.

State on the morning of the 11th:—Overcast and mild weather. Pressure rather normal and falling. South-easterly breezes.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy weather with variable winds around Shantung. Overcast with mist or rain and cyclonic circulation over our regions and the Eastern Sea, owing to a depression crossing Kiangsi east-north-eastward.—Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TO THE JEWISH SHELTER HOUSE

In memory of Little Sheina Rosenstein:—

Meiji Seika Co.	$10.00

TO THE INSTITUTION FOR THE CHINESE BLIND

Community Church Welfare Sunday	$407.48
A friend	50.00
Miss M. H. Brown	20.00
Miss R. E. Oakeshott	10.00

In memory of Mrs. G. B. Fryer and Mrs. S. E. Taylor:—

Mrs. W. J. Lunt	$10.00

Britain to Test Good Faith of Italy

Full Troop Withdrawal from Spain to Prove Assurances Sincere; Failure May Bring New Extension of Guarantees to Balkan Nations

London, Apr. 11.

THE British Cabinet's Sub-Committee on Foreign Affairs will meet here this afternoon. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Kingsley Wood, the Secretary for Air, conferred at No. 10 Downing Street to prepare the session. Wording of the Prime Minister's statement in the House of Commons next Thursday will depend in a large measure upon indications received as to Italy's intentions in Spain. Well-informed circles state that the question of a withdrawal of Italian troops from Spain is the proving ground on which will be judged the sincerity of the Italian assurances to Great Britain. It will also give an indication as to whether Italy's action in Albania was not the starting point of large-scale manœuvre in the Mediterranean.

Political quarters expect a British demarche to be made in Rome in this connection before next Thursday, which would be parallel to that made in Burgos yesterday by Sir Maurice Peterson, the British Ambassador to Nationalist Spain, when he met General Jordana, the Spanish Nationalist Foreign Minister.

Well-informed circles assert that Mr. Chamberlain has not completely given up hope for an improvement in relations with Italy if Count Galeazzo Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, were appointed Viceroy of Albania and Count Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador to the Court of St. James', were entrusted with the Foreign Ministry. Diplomatic circles are nevertheless concerned over the enormous number of mobilized men in Italy, estimated at from 1,000,000 to 2,000,000.

German-Polish Tension Unabated

Tension between Germany and Poland has not decreased, it is noted, but is confirmed by Warsaw's refusal to demobilize the troops recently called to the colours.

Military measures taken in Holland bear further testimony to present apprehensions in Europe.

Parliamentary quarters assert that British policy is firmly determined to deal with any eventuality and precautionary measures are being taken in all the British Empire's vulnerable points, these measures of course being shrouded in complete secrecy.

Extension of Guarantees

Parliament was summoned yesterday to sit on Thursday when the Prime Minister will deliver his vital statement which is understood to comprise an exhaustive survey of the commitments Britain is ready to assume for the maintenance of the Balkan *status quo*. He will announce the extension of a British guarantee of independence and territorial integrity to Greece and, it is expected, also to Rumania and Turkey. Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, will make a similar declaration in the House of Lords the same day.

A decision in principle to take such unilateral action was reached during a conference of the "Inner Cabinet" at No. 10 Downing Street yesterday afternoon. Present for this meeting were Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Sir John Simon, Sir Thomas Inskip, Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Oliver Stanley, Lord Chatfield, Mr. W. S. Morrison and Mr. R. A. Butler. Further ministerial conferences are due today and tomorrow when the text of the Premier's statement in the House of Commons will be prepared. A Cabinet meeting will be held on Thursday morning to put the final touches to both Mr. Chamberlain's and Lord Halifax's declarations.

M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, called at the Foreign Office this morning. He conferred with Government officials for over half an hour.

Commitments Extended

Originally, the British Government contemplated extending a guarantee to Greece alone, informed political circles revealed this evening. But the Inner Cabinet decided today to guarantee the integrity of Rumania and Turkey also, because there is the urgent necessity for action to avert any further aggression in other parts of Europe, it is understood. The Government also wished to avoid directing any guarantee against Italy only and thus avoid giving the impression of disbelieving Signor Benito Mussolini's assurances that there is no Italian threat against Greece.

Intense Diplomatic Activity

Great activity prevailed in the Foreign Office throughout yesterday and No. 10 Downing Street also presented a busy aspect.

Especial significance was attached to further visits paid Lord Halifax by Signor Guido Crolla, Italian Chargé d'Affaires in the absence of Count Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador who is still in Rome.

Authoritative quarters refrained commenting on the present active Anglo-Italian exchange of views. Other informed circles declared that the British Government is now devoting efforts to securing the withdrawal of Italian troops from Spain. They claimed that the "Inner Cabinet," at its meeting yesterday afternoon, discussed not only Balkan affairs, but also the possibility of sending Italy a Note emphasizing that "the value of Italian assurances regarding the Balkans would be greatly increased if it were followed by the immediate and effective withdrawal of soldiers from Spain."

Il Duce will possibly comply with British desires in this matter, the same quarters added, because Italy needs credits for the purchase of raw materials in which she is at present lacking.

Lord Halifax yesterday also received the Rumanian Minister here, M. Virgil Tilea, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain received Mr. Clement R. Attlee, Labour Party leader, and Lord Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty.—Havas.

London Press Urge Promptest Action

Impatience, Anxiety Over Balkans Crisis Generally Expressed

London, Apr. 11.

Although an easing of the international tension was registered, the Balkan crisis continued to be featured in the press this morning, most papers stressing that the situation still remained serious. An attitude of impatience, even of anxiety, was noted in the press.

"Foreign diplomats in London are astonished and disappointed that the invasion of Albania did not speed up the establishment of a system of collective security," Mr. Vernon Bartlett, diplomatic editor of the "News-Chronicle" and Member of Parliament, wrote in that newspaper today. "For the moment at any rate there is to be no Anglo-Greek pact similar to that concluded last week between Great Britain and Poland, and it is fully realized that the Anglo-Polish alliance will be a danger unless it is to be supplemented very rapidly by another agreement as part of the new collective system."

The "Manchester Guardian" says "there is a growing uneasiness, almost dismay, amongst observers because those in the present Government who still believe in 'appeasement' and have been waiting for their chance since their setback over the Polish alliance, are now getting their own way. France, on the other hand, has taken bold and far-reaching precautions which are fully justified by the situation and by what is known of the plans and preparations of the Axis Powers" the paper added.

The editorial in this morning's "Financial News" stressed that "the need for speedy and decisive action by the Democracies was never more urgent."

The diplomatic editor of the "Daily Mail" declared that Mr. Neville Chamberlain "before giving a guarantee of British assistance to Greece—a guarantee to Turkey automatically following—is anxious to reach an understanding with Signor Mussolini about the withdrawal of Italian volunteers from Spain."

The same paper stressed editorially that "the country cannot afford to have its time wasted on futile talks, nor can it afford to have its real sentiments misinterpreted abroad by thoughtless remarks made to score a debating point. Such speeches provide valuable powder to totalitarian propaganda machines," the paper added.

The editorial in today's issue of "The Times" says "the Government are expected to give an undertaking, similar in principle to the assurances exchanged with Poland, for the defence of security in the Eastern Mediterranean, in particular of the Greek and Turkish territories."

The "Daily Herald" stressed that "any attempt by an aggressive and ambitious Power to secure a dominant position in the Eastern Mediterranean must, in future as in the past, be at once resisted and prevented. It is in the interest of peace that this be made clear at once to all concerned"—Havas.

Paris Press Gloomy

Paris, Apr. 11.

The Press continues to take a gloomy view of the international situation, but M. St. Brice, Foreign Editor of "Le Journal," writes that the "situation is considerably easier, but nevertheless remains serious."

"La Republique" considers the situation demands the "veritable civil mobilization of everyone who is not at the moment with the armies." The paper advocates conscription in England.

"Le Jour" takes a very gloomy view of the situation, and asks why the Italians continue to send so many troops, and so much material, to "conquered" Albania.—Reuter.

Balkan Entente Strengthened

Paris, Apr. 11.

Diplomatic circles here voice great satisfaction at the strengthening of the ties between the members of the Balkan Entente. The visit paid to Istanbul by M. Gregor Gafencu, Rumanian Foreign Minister, had most gratifying results, they say. Turkey is now fully aware of the totalitarian threat in the Eastern Mediterranean and has decided to act accordingly. She has a strong and well-equipped army which would be as important in operations on land as the British Fleet would be on the sea.

Italian action against Greece at present is most unlikely, firstly for Italian assurances given Great Britain, and secondly because of the measures taken by the British Fleet. Furthermore, they add, a German threat against Rumania is not probable before the solution by the Reich of the Hungarian problem. Hungary at present fears German influence but is determined not to adhere to any other block since her territorial claims have not been satisfied.

These quarters are also confident that no immediate action threatens Yugoslavia, because Germany and Italy are both rivals there and thus neutralize each other's efforts.—Havas.

Defences in Malta Manned

Malta, Apr. 10.

Coastal and anti-aircraft defences in Malta were manned today as a precautionary measure.—Reuter.

Italy Pledges Integrity of Greek State

Corfu Seizure by Britain Denied; Tension Eases

Athens, Apr. 10.

The Italian Government today sent the Greek Government formal assurances of full respect for Greek integrity, Havas learned here this evening. The text of these assurances will be published tomorrow.—Havas.

Paris, Apr. 10.

International tension was somewhat eased today following Italy's assurance to London and Athens that the integrity of Greece would be fully respected, observers here noted tonight. Authoritative quarters denied that the British Government is contemplating the occupation of Corfu, commanding the Adriatic.

It was also stated that the Mediterranean situation was discussed by the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, this afternoon, when he received M. Jules Lukasiewicz, Polish Ambassador.—Havas.

Yugoslav Public Opinion Turns Against Italy

Demonstrations Occur On Small Scale

Belgrade, Apr. 10.

While the Government continues to maintain a reserved attitude, public opinion has become suddenly embittered against Italy.

During the holidays, anti-Italian demonstrations on a small scale occurred in Belgrade and Skoplje.

Italy, it is pointed out, could now close the Adriatic at will, leaving Salonika as Yugoslavia's only source of supply by sea, except for a circuitous route through the Bosphorous and up the Danube.—Reuter.

Turkey Alarmed Over Balkan Crisis

Premier Declares Nation Will Strive for Peace

Ankara, Apr. 11.

The National Assembly met and heard a Government statement on foreign policy today, after which full confidence was expressed in the Government by the 389 Deputies present.

The Premier Dr. Refik Saydam, stressed that Turkey will do her utmost to help save peace. He severely criticized totalitarian action against all small states.

"Turkey's foreign policy remains unchanged," he said. "She is faithful to her friendships, alliances, pledges, signatures," he said. "She will go on with the same faith in her determination to serve peace."—Havas.

Turkish Press Alarmed

Istanbul, Apr. 11.

The press, which hitherto had been restrained in comments on the international situation, is now giving free expression to alarm. Leading newspapers point out the danger threatening all Balkan countries, and exhort them to unite and co-operate if they are to prevent dire consequences.

Mr. Sukru Saracoglu, the Foreign Minister, who was to lead the Turkish delegation to the marriage festivities in Teheran of Princess Fawziah, the seventeen-year-old sister of King Farouk of Egypt, to the crown Prince of Iran, on April 16, has cancelled his departure due to the serious turn in events in Europe.—Reuter.

Hungarian Delegates Due in Rome

Premier, Foreign Minister Later to Visit Berlin

London, Apr. 11.

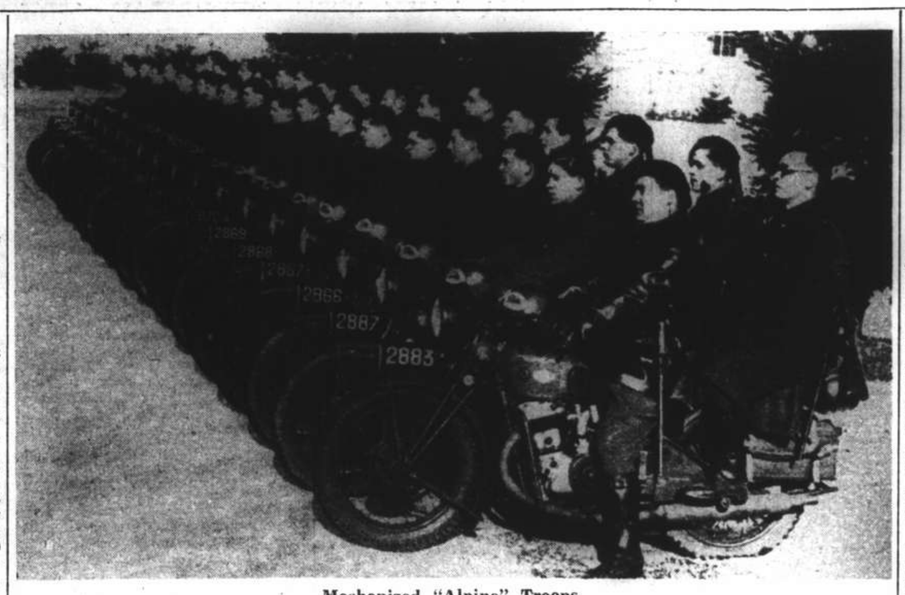
Count Paul Teleki, the Hungarian Premier, and Count Stephen Czaky, the Foreign Minister, are going to Rome at the end of the week with a large number of officials to hold important conferences with Il Duce and Count Ciano, the Foreign Minister, according to the Budapest correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The effects of the Anglo-Polish Pact on the traditional friendship between Hungary and Poland, and the unsettled relations with Rumania, he says, are likely to play a prominent part in the conferences in Rome. Soon after the visit to Rome, the Hungarian statesmen will go to Berlin to emphasize the profound friendship between Hungary and Germany, the correspondent adds.—Reuter.

Poland Maintaining Military Precautions

Warsaw, Apr. 10.

It is understood that demobilization of men recently called to colours in Poland is not likely to occur until the general European situation has calmed down. There are no signs of any relaxation of the Polish military precautions.—Reuter.



Mechanized "Alpine" Troops

Belgium's Maginot line includes a section in the wooded, mountainous country of the Ardennes which is manned by a mechanized cavalry corps and a division of special frontier troops. The latter is composed of picked men, who are on constant duty. Picture shows cyclist unit ready for moving, to their posts.

Lieut.-Gen. Kenji Doihara Loses Favour with Japanese Chiefs

Lieut-Gen. Seiichi Kita Supplants Rival As Liaison Officer for North China

Tokyo, Apr. 11.

LIEUT.-GEN. Kenji Doihara, whose intrigues in China have been compared to those of Lawrence in Arabia, has tumbled into disfavour. Gen. Doihara has been sent back to active duty after failing in efforts to manœuvre a settlement of the Sino-Japanese war. The signal of Gen. Doihara's fall from influence came with announcement of the appointment of Lieut.-Gen. Seiichi Kita as head of the Japanese liaison agency in North China. Gen. Kita and Gen. Doihara had been in sharp disagreement over policy and Gen. Kita's selection showed that he and not Gen. Doihara had won the backing of higher ranking Army officers and the central government in Tokyo.

One of the factors in giving Gen. Kita the Job was that Gen. Doihara was bitterly hated by the Chinese and that Gen. Kita had a better chance for conciliating Chinese leaders and gaining the co-operation which Japanese forces on the continent hope to obtain. Gen. Doihara was involved in the Wu Pei-fu fiasco and also in the unsuccessful effort to swing China's leaders into compliance with the Japanese programme through Mr. Wang Ching-wei's withdrawal from the Chiang Kai-shek group.

Japanese leaders in Tokyo had high hopes for both ventures. But both failed to produce the desired results. Now other plans are being shaped, but Gen. Doihara is not to be given a part in carrying them out.

Gen. Doihara has been behind the scenes in most of the Japanese intrigues in China over the past decade. He was in the Army triumvirate of Itagaki, Ishihara and Doihara which managed the Manchurian adventure in 1932. He also carried out many of the moves which brought Japanese domination of North China in succeeding years and the present war was regarded as another field for his peculiar talents.

Gen. Kita and Gen. Doihara clashed over the abortive effort to put Gen. Wu Pei-fu, the former Chinese Warlord who still has a large following in China, at the head of a Japanese sponsored peace preservation movement in North China. One idea at the time was that Gen. Wu could step from retirement into the "presidency" of a new China government. When the move failed Gen. Kita's influence went up and Gen. Doihara's down.

Lieut.-Gen. Kenji Doihara

Gen. Kita's Background

Gen. Kita also has a wide background in China. He participated in the Shanghai incident in 1932, later was a staff officer in Manchoukuo and then became Chief of the China Section of the General Staff. In 1936 he went to Peiping as Military Attache at the Japanese Embassy and has been active in promoting the Japanese controlled "provisional government" of North China.

The North China liaison agency is one of four established to deal with affairs on the continent. The others, all of which have direct connections with the central organization for dealing with China's "reconstruction", are for Inner Mongolia, Central China and Amoy.—United Press.

Godown Fire Still Needs Attention

Brigade Pours Water On Debris as Cotton Cargo Smouldering

Several fire engines from Hongkew station were summoned to the burnt-out N.Y.K. godown on Woochang Road opposite the Japanese Consulate General, at 6 a.m. yesterday and remained there for well over an hour in damping down smouldering debris of the disastrous conflagration which kept a large part of the Settlement Fire Brigade busy there from the evening of March 24 to the evening of March 27.

The fact that the debris was again threatening to catch fire was not considered unusual by experts yesterday, who believed that a few bales of cotton had been smouldering ever since the blaze first broke out. It was also pointed out to a "North-China Daily News" representative, that cotton can burn for periods exceeding several months.

After pouring water on the debris and practically putting the inside of the godown under water, the fire-fighters returned to their station.

Italy Has Million Men Under Arms

Corfu Reports Watched; "Retaliation Threatened

Rome, Apr. 10.

There are more than 1,000,000 men under arms in Italy today as a result of the series of partial mobilization measures taken since January this year, it was learned today. The classes of 1901 to 1914 have by now been called to the colours in individual contingents, it was stated. The 1912 to 1914 classes were called up only lately, to replace in Italian garrisons the effectives sent into Albania, some reports claimed.—Havas.

Threat Against Salonika

Rome, Apr. 10.

The report that the British decision regarding Albania may be left to Parliament has aroused the hope in Italian political circles that Italy's action may be passed over with nothing stronger than a diplomatic Note from London. At the same time, Italy is watching jealously every word written about Corfu. Some circles threaten that if Corfu is occupied against Italy, she will march to Salonika.—Reuter.

China Has Opportunity Now of Shaking Off Japanese Grip on Central Area

"New York Herald-Tribune" Says Japanese Fear Advance; Multiple-Front Attack Urged

New York, Apr. 11.

"With the Japanese Hunan offensive apparently bogged down, China now has the opportunity of shaking off Japan's hold on Central China if she attacks on many fronts," the "New York Herald-Tribune" stated today, commenting on the present state of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

The paper went on to explain that multiple-front tactic would have considerable advantage over Japan's superiority in motorized equipment.

"It has been clearly established that wherever the Japanese can mass motorized equipment and thereby cover the advance of their infantry, they can gain their objectives," the paper added. "But wherever they fail to cover the advance of their infantry with a lavish use of high explosives and a vanguard of tanks, their infantry does not advance. It is reported from many sources that Japan's troops wish to advance under no other circumstances, the Japanese high command having learnt by painful experience that, at close quarters, the Chinese volunteers whether coolies or students are their masters."

In conclusion, the "New York Herald-Tribune" stated that if the Chinese command can attack on a dozen fronts while the guerillas pester the enemy's communications, Japan's visions may fade away. The next few weeks will be a critical period in Japan's adventure.—Havas.

Diplomatic Activity In Bucharest

Bucharest, Apr. 10.

The return today of the Foreign Minister, M. Grigore Gafencu, from Istanbul, was followed by intense diplomatic activity. M. Gafencu today received the Yugo-Slav Ambassador and the French, Italian and Hungarian Ministers.—Reuter.

Fewer Americans Travel To Europe

Washington, Apr. 11.

The State Department revealed today that the number of Americans travelling to Europe this coming summer will be very much lower than last year, according to the number of applications for passports.—Havas.

Netherlands Coast Battalions Called

The Hague, Apr. 11.

A Royal decree released today calls to the colours all members of coast protection battalions.

A Government communiqué stressed that this convocation should not be interpreted as a consequence of the events which occurred during the past few days, but as a normal development of the Netherlands security plan in the present international situation.—Havas.

School in Swiss Alps Buried

Five Killed, Eleven Hurt, Many Missing in Landslide Tragedy

Berne, Apr. 10.

Five lives were lost, eleven people were more or less seriously injured and twelve were still missing this evening when a boarding-school housing 28 persons in all was buried under huge rocks in a landslide at Fiduz, near Flims, Grisons Canton this morning. Among the victims are both adults and children, because a number of parents came to visit their children on the occasion of the Easter holidays.

It was at 11.45 a.m. that the residents of the village of Fiduz, on the southern slopes of the Glaris Alps, heard thunderous noises rumbling along Mt. Flimmerstein, where rock and landslides occur every spring. Today's noise was especially loud and when the cloud of dust finally dissipated, horrified residents of the little village looked on a terrible sight. Where there had been the Sonnehuesly boarding-school, there was nothing but a waste of crumbled, piled-up rocks, covering a stretch of ground 300 metres broad. Rocks the size of houses had tumbled down on the school, which was completely submerged under the stones. Help was immediately requested from Flims, where the alarm-bell was sounded. Rescue squads, specially provided for the occasion, were rushed to the scene. Firemen, police, soldiers, nurses and volunteers set to work and by nightfall succeeded in digging out the eleven injured persons and the five dead. Twelve were still missing.

Sounds of other, more distant landslides continued to rend the mountain silence as stones loosened from their positions by melting winter snows tumbled down the alpine slopes.—Havas.

Deserter in War Time Prefers U.S. Prison

Life in Nazi Reich Not To Liking of Bergdoll

New York, Apr. 10.

Preference for life behind prison bars in the United States to life in freedom in the Third Reich was expressed today by R.I.C. Grover Bergdoll, rich American who sought refuge in Germany in 1920 to escape a five-year prison term for military desertion during the World War.

Reports sent here from Germany asserted that Bergdoll planned to leave his home in the Reich next week to come here and deliver himself to the American military authorities.

Bergdoll was a prominent motor car racer and airman and when his case made newspaper front-pages in 1920, great commotion was caused in international sports circles.—Havas.

Senate Rejects Guam Fortification Project

Washington, Apr. 11.

Following the lead of the House of Representatives, the Senate Naval Affairs Committee today rejected the item in the Vinson Naval Base Bill providing for the fortification of Guam Island, 1,200 miles south of Yokohama.

The Senate Committee approved the remainder of the $65,000,000 bill which provides for eleven new Pacific bases for the Navy. The Senate Committee also approved construction of a base at Jacksonville, Fla., which the House had eliminated from its bill pending further investigation.—United Press.

Big-Scale German Troop Moves Doubted

Berlin, Apr. 11.

Informed foreign quarters here today doubted reports of large scale German troop movements. There are no indications of unusual military activity in Berlin although there are persistent rumours of large concentrations of German troops both east and west of here.—United Press.

Pro-Japanese Official Shot Dead by Terrorists

Military Spokesman Indignant, Accuses S.M.C. of "Policing Defects"; C.P.C., Pedestrian Wounded

AFTER two and a half months of inactivity, anti-Japanese terrorists went into action yesterday and killed Dr. Hsi Ts-taung, secretary of the "Public Safety Bureau" of the Japanese sponsored "Special Municipality of Shanghai", as he was leaving his residence in Lane 139, Lloyd Road, shortly after 9.20 a.m. Two gunmen stood at the entrance of the alleyway, fired a number of shots, three of which injured the victim, and decamped. C.P.C. 730 who was near the scene, took up the chase, ordered the two gunmen to halt and when they refused to do so, he drew his service pistol, fired two shots and sagged to the ground as one of the terrorists fired once more to wound the policeman slightly in the right shoulder. Notwithstanding his injuries, the C.P.C. arose from the pavement and gave chase, but meanwhile the two gunmen had been successful in disappearing in the crowd.

A pedestrian on the opposite side of Lloyd Road who had come into the line of fire, was injured in the abdomen and is now lying in the Paulun Hospital in a very serious condition.

S.M.C. Criticized

This assassination brought forth criticism on the part of Lieut.-Col. Mabuchi, Director of the Press Bureau of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to Central China, in a statement made yesterday afternoon, in which the Shanghai Municipal Police is accused of not having adopted measures suggested by the Japanese authorities in preventing terrorist outbreaks.

"We are constrained to declare that here are still several defects in the policing activities of the Shanghai Municipal Council", the Japanese officer stated, "inasmuch as that the Council was to take ample precautions against outrages of this sort by adopting measures suggested by the Japanese authorities following the assassination of Mr. Chen Loh".

In the same statement, the spokesman said that it was desirable that agencies alleged to be maintained by the Chungking Government in the International Settlement should be closed, and that publications, which, according to the same spokesman, received their instructions from the Chungking Government, should be closed down as well.

The deceased was struck by three bullets, one entering the left side, just below the heart and emerging from the chest, one on the left side of the neck and another on the right side of the neck. Death was presumably instantaneous but an ambulance was called and Dr. Hsi was taken to the Paulun hospital where he was declared dead on arrival.

Many Shots

The exact number of shots fired by the assassins, could not be ascertained as they used revolvers, which fact also left the police without the usual cartridge clue which could have possibly enabled them to trace the police history of the pistol, if any. Nevertheless, it is believed that about ten shots were fired in all, two by the C.P.C. and about eight by one of the gunmen. It was not believed that the second gunman did any shooting, although here, too, statements made by persons near the scene of the firing at the time, are rather contradictory.

Japan Returned Student

Dr. Hsi was a graduate of the Nippon Medical College and had practised medicine in Shanghai for the past 20 years. He also owned a private hospital and was understood to be interested in a number of important business firms in this city. Whilst he is known to have been married to a Japanese woman, he also had a Chinese wife and a concubine. He was the father of seven children, the elder being 24 years old.

Since the assumption of his new duties as secretary of the "Public Safety Bureau", Dr. Hsi made it a practice to leave his home at the same time each morning, his car, bearing licence number 3147 and painted of a very conspicuous blue, usually waiting on Lloyd Road at the immediate exit of the alleyway.

Cultural Worker

Japanese circles yesterday claimed that Dr. Hsi had done a great deal of work in the cultural field and that "there is reason for greater indignation at this dastardly attack if the relations existing between the victim and the Japanese Army are taken into account."

Plain-clothes Japanese gendarmerie arrived at the scene a few minutes after the ambulance had left with Dr. Hsi and the C.P.C. They made preliminary investigations and left the scene a few minutes later, whilst at about 12 o'clock noon, four or five Japanese pressmen armed with cameras and suitcases filled with flash-bulbs, were seen walking into Louza Police Station, being presumably under the impression that the corpse was being kept there. They left the station a few minutes afterwards.

By a late hour last night, no further arrests had been made in connection with the shooting, notwithstanding the fact that a large number of detectives from Louza station and headquarters were still working on the case feverishly at the time of going to press.

Previous Assassinations

The last political assassination to have occurred in the International Settlement, was that of Marquis Li on the afternoon of February 21, when the Marquis was walking along Avenue Road with a friend, on his way to consult a physician.

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Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8¾d. U.S.$ 16 1/16c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Apr. 11.

Silver prices were quoted unchanged today compared with last Thursday's levels.

	Apr. 6	Apr. 11
London spot	20d.	20d.
" forward	19 11/16d.	19 11/16d.
" gold	148/6d.	148/6d.
London/New York:		
One pound	U.S.$4.6813	$4.6813
One U.S. dollar	51.267d.	51.267d.

—Reuter.

Japanese Landing Near Hongkong

Troops Attempt to Clear Guerillas Out of Border Areas Around Colony

Hongkong, Apr. 11.

It is reported that Japanese troops have effected a landing at Taishing-kai, on the coast in Deep Bay, about four miles north of British waters. After their landing, the Japanese troops entered Namtau, where several fires are reported to have broken out. They are now pushing on to the border village of Shumchun.

Determination to clear the border areas of Chinese irregulars is believed to be the most likely reason for the renewed Japanese activity in the Deep Bay neighbourhood. One of the reasons is also thought to be the carrying out of an earlier threat to set fire to Namtau unless the villagers co-operate with the Japanese.

Alarmist sources predict that the Japanese occupation of Shumchun, which is at present demilitarized, would be the prelude for further incidents on the British border, but more responsible quarters ridicule such views.—Reuter.

Attacks in Shansi

Tokyo, Apr. 11.

Chinese forces in southern Shansi province opened attacks against almost all Japanese lines yesterday, according to a Japanese field dispatch, which however, reports that the Japanese forces successfully repulsed all Chinese attacks.—Reuter.

General Offensive Premature

Chungking, Apr. 11.

Well-informed sources here state that reports of the Chinese general counter-offensive, which are widely circulating, are still premature, though it is true that Chinese forces in several sectors have been ordered to make offensive moves for strategical reasons.

Meanwhile, the Chinese are anticipating a determined Japanese drive for the complete occupation of the Canton-Hankow railway. It is believed that the Japanese will concentrate efforts to attack the northern section of the railway with a combined drive towards Changsha, capital of Hunan province, from Hupeh and Kiangsi provinces.

The Japanese, it is believed, will then attempt to push southward towards Canton, along the railway.

The situation on the West River front is reported to be tense, following a surprise Japanese move in which the Japanese at Samshui, taking a circuitous route, are attempting to launch a flank attack on Wuchow, an important port on the West River, on the Kwangsi border.—Reuter.

Holland Determined to Maintain Neutrality

"No Reason Whatever for Uneasiness," Says Premier

Amsterdam, Apr. 11.

Holland's determination in all circumstances to maintain her neutrality was emphasized by Dr. Hendrik Colijn, the Prime Minister, in a broadcast today. Dr. Colijn said that this was the sole reason for military measures being taken yesterday at their frontiers. "There is no reason whatever," he added, "for uneasiness."

The Premier spoke with great seriousness and deliberation, and he emphasized that the special measures at the frontier should not be regarded as implying that there was any direct threat to the country, whose relations with foreign states, he declared, were uniformly good. They should be looked upon as purely a precautionary measure in view of the general European situation, and as measures taken in order to relieve anxiety.

Dr. Colijn stated that Holland only wanted to show that she was determined to maintain her independence and neutrality in all circumstances, and on all sides. "There is no ground whatever," he went on, "for believing that the Government fears a direct threat."

The special measures, he stated, would be maintained until tranquility had been restored. Meanwhile, the Prime Minister urged the people to go quietly about their work.—Reuter.

British Shipping Must Be Assisted

Non-British Shipbuilding Goes Ahead at Great Pace

London, Apr. 12.

The vital necessity for the British Government's recently announced scheme to aid British shipbuilding, whereby the sum of £10,000,000 will be made available to shipowners for new tonnages placed in Great Britain, is amply illustrated by Lloyd's Register of Shipping for the quarter ended March 31.

The figures for British merchant vessel construction for this quarter, at 597,000 tons, show a fall of nearly 500,000 tons, compared with the corresponding quarter last year. They show a decrease of 183,000 tons compared with the quarter ended December 31 last year.

Meanwhile, non-British building figures reveal continued improvement during the current quarter, showing an advance of 34,803 tons to 2,107,000 tons, which is higher than any figure recorded between June 1930, and June 1937.—Reuter.

Anzac Society Changes Title

Now Known as Australian And New Zealand Society Of Shanghai

In future the Anzac Society of Shanghai will be known as the Australian and New Zealand Society of Shanghai. At a special general meeting of members of the society held yesterday evening in the offices of the Australian Trade Commissioner the change of title was decided upon following a lengthy discussion during which it was pointed out that the name "Anzac" was applicable only to those members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps who had served during the Great War in the Gallipoli campaign. As few of the members of the society in Shanghai had belonged to this Corps it was felt that a change of title was desirable.

Mr. V. G. Bowden, Australian Government Trade Commissioner and President of the society, occupied the chair, and in opening the discussion as to the desirability of changing the name of the society stated that the subject had been discussed four years ago, but for sentimental reasons the old title had been retained. It was felt, he continued, that the name acted as a handicap to the aims and service of the society and to the New Zealand and Australian communities here.

There were instances, he added, where people had refused to join the society because of the name, stating that they were not Anzacs, and Australians visiting Shanghai, who had wanted to meet local Australians, had not availed themselves of its services because of the fact that they thought the society existed for ex-servicemen only.

Mrs. Eric Davies, opposing the change of name, suggested writing to the authorities in Australia before altering the title to ascertain if they objected to the continuation of the world "Anzac". She added that she had met many Australians in Shanghai and not one had objected to the use of the word. It was then pointed out that if the Returned Soldiers and Sailors League had given the rules the society had no alternative but to change the name.

An Amendment

Mr. Bowden, replying, stated that he had served in the Great War but had no claim to use the word "Anzac". He had known many people who would not join because of the name.

Mrs. Davies—They are poor Australians and not worthy of joining the society.

The Chairman then proposed that it was desirable that the Society should abandon the name of "Anzac Society" and that the meeting should select a new name by which the Society would be known in the future. This was seconded by Mr. R.R. Russell.

Mr. Peach proposed as an amendment that the matter should be left in abeyance until such time as a written opinion be obtained from the competent authorities in Australia. Mrs. Davies seconded the amendment.

Mr. W. G. Crokam stated that at one time he had opposed the change but after some discussions he had come to the conclusion that the alteration of the title was desirable.

After further discussion the amendment was defeated by 13 votes to one, and the proposition to change the name of the society was adopted. The name of "Australian and New Zealand Society of Shanghai" was adopted after a vote.

The meeting concluded with the adoption of a new set of rules and the announcement of the programme for Anzac Day, which, the Chairman stated, would commence with a wreath-laying ceremony at the Cenotaph at 8.30 a.m. and would be followed by a dinner in the evening at the American Women's Club. A vote of thanks to the President was proposed and carried with acclamation.

Bold Down-Town Hold-Up Fails

One Man Arrested By Russian Guard As Five Escape

"Encroaching" on the activities of police search parties inasmuch as that they had no right to do so and merely performed the "search" to further their own ends, six Chinese, described as of the coolie class, boldly held up a clerk who was proceeding to the sales-offices of the Wing Tai Vo Tobacco Co., on Kiukiang Road near Yu Ya Ching Road at 10.30 a.m. yesterday, where he wished to settle an account.

Two Russian watchmen on duty at the offices saw what had happened, however, and before the thugs were in a position to "take care" of the $600 which the Chinese clerk was carrying on his person at the time, they arrested one of the thugs, whilst the other five, all of whom were believed to have been unarmed, dashed down Kiukiang Road and disappeared in the crowds of the busy thoroughfare.

Detectives from Louza station, who are in charge of the case, were questioning the detained man and hoped to arrest his confederates some time last night, as a result of information which they expected to obtain from the arrested man.

The office in question seems to be a favourite spot with Shanghai's underworld, as a few weeks ago an armed attempt to rob $10,000 from a clerk, was also prevented by the watchmen.

Weavers Wounded in Explosion

Two employees of the Shan Yuan Dyeing and Weaving Factory at 59 Shantung Road are now lying in the Lester Chinese Hospital as a result of injuries which they sustained last night when a radiator of their factory suddenly burst, causing a loud explosion. The mishap occurred at about 9.30 p.m. when the victims were chatting with each other just before retiring. A check with the hospital revealed that, although they were badly injured in many places, their lives were not in danger.

Firing Heard in "Ta Tao" Territory

Intermittent rifle-fire was heard for about 10 minutes, coming from Tsaokadoo and being clearly audible from Jessfield and Brenan Roads, at about 10.15 o'clock last night. Earlier in the day, indications that guerillas were again attacking Japanese sentries in the Hungjao area, gained credence as heavy firing was heard in that district up to about 7 a.m.

Burma Highway Praised

Correspondent Goes Over New Road; Great Feat of Chinese Engineering

London, Apr. 11.

The Chinese Government Purchasing Commission recently placed orders with British firms for £180,000 worth of construction material, of all sorts, for the Yunnan-Burma railway, work on which, it is learned here, is being actively pressed forward. Further orders are being negotiated.

The railway, according to information obtained from Chinese circles in London, follows the route recommended by British engineers 40 years ago.

A correspondent of "The Times" recently motored along the Lashio-Kunming motor road, and he describes minutely his impressions regarding "this fine feat of Chinese engineering." The total length of the road, from Lashio to the frontier, he gives as 124 miles, and from the frontier to Kunming, 648 miles.

Of the Chinese sector of the road, the 367-mile stretch from Hsiakwan to the frontier was only begun in October, 1937, and, despite altitudes ranging from 2,000 to 8,000 feet, was completed for light traffic in 14 months.

Worst Stretch

The worst stretch, according to "The Times" correspondent, is the Lungling to Salween Valley portion of the road, crossing an 8,000-foot mountain barrier, with the steepest gradients, almost impossible curves, and sheer drops of 2,000 feet on the outer side.

Almost unlimited labour, the correspondent states, is now engaged on this part of the road, but, owing to the geological nature of the ground, landslides are frequent.

A suspension bridge 280 feet wide carries the road across to Salween, the correspondent adds, having only recently been finished. It is now being reconstructed to take heavier vehicles.

The correspondent is of the opinion that if the road is to stand heavy traffic during the monsoon, it must have adequate drains cut on the inside, and led under the road.

He pays high tribute to the Chinese engineers, stating that "one leaves Yunnan with the utmost admiration for the determination and courage of the Chinese."—Reuter.

London Moslems Hold Protest Meeting

Deputation Sent to Italian Embassy

London, Apr. 10.

Leading Moslems in London at a meeting today demanded that Signor Mussolini renounce that title of "Defender of Islam," which he assumed after the Abyssinian conquest.

They also urged that the Oriental Academy, opened in Italy five years ago, should be closed as a protest against Fascist propaganda in India, Egypt and the East.

The meeting sent a deputation to the Italian Embassy to communicate these demands.—Reuter.

Pro-Japanese Official Shot Dead by Terrorists

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As a result of this murder and that of Mr. Chen Loh, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the "Reformed Government" in Nanking, the Japanese authorities made a series of protests to the Shanghai Municipal Council as a result of which an agreement was reached according to which closer co-operation of the Japanese authorities and the Shanghai Municipal Police were arranged. Lloyd Road where the shooting occurred, runs parallel with Yu Ya Ching Road, and enters Nanking Road south of the Sun Sun Co.'s department store.

A curious turn of the shooting may be found in the fact that the injured pedestrian did not ask for assistance at the scene, although in a serious condition, but arranged his own transportation to the Paulun Hospital, where the doctors informed the police that a man with gun-shot wounds had been admitted.

Meanwhile, the injured man, whose name is given as Peng Fu-lin, 23, a native of Soochow, has been placed under police surveillance at the Paulun Hospital, until an improvement in his condition will permit detectives to question him. A friend who accompanied him to the hospital was questioned by detectives at Louza police station and it was understood that he has been detained, although this could not be confirmed at a late hour last night. As far as could be ascertained just before going to press, it will be some considerable time before the seriously injured man can be questioned, provided that he recovers at all, and it seems somewhat premature to classify him as a suspect.

Press Conference Statement

At the press conference yesterday, the army spokesman, supplementing Lieut.-Col. Mabuchi's statement, hoped that the Council would take measures to curb such activities. A redeeming feature of the affair was the gallant action of the Chinese constable who opened fire on the assailants, he added. Further, the Japanese Consular Police had been informed by the Municipal Police that one of the wounded men was considered as a suspect, but full details were not available.

In reply to questions the spokesman stated that the Japanese had not asked for the custody of the suspect and that so far no protest had been registered by the Japanese authorities with the Municipal Council.

Peace Disavowals Condemned

Wu Tze-hui Answers Wang Ching-wei's Defence; Tried To Foment Civil War

Chungking, Apr. 11.

In an open letter replying to the statement of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, former President of the Executive Yuan, Mr. Wu Tze-hui, famous Chinese elder statesman, declared: "Mr. Wang Ching-wei, in order to explain he is not the only one who favours peace, revealed confidential minutes of meetings of the National Defence Supreme Council.

"There is a definite law providing for punishment for the disclosure of official and military secrets," he continued. "Furthermore, Mr. Wang Ching-wei was himself Chairman of the Council. Therefore, punishment for such action should be even more severe than in ordinary cases."

Mr. Wu then referred to the peace proposals made through Dr. Trautmann, the former German Ambassador to China, before the fall of Nanking. If General Chiang Kai-shek had not made two counter-proposals, and maintained a firm stand on them, he said, even though Dr. Trautmann might have been most sincere in his intentions, "probably at best we would have been cheated, as Chamberlain was after the Munich Agreement."

Mr. Wu Tze-hui then proceeded to allege that Madame Wang Ching-wei, in private conversations with her associates, had intimated they would even go so far as to start a civil war to overthrow General Chiang Kai-shek, and conclude peace for Mr. Wang Ching-wei to establish a Central Government.

Sacrifices Necessary

Referring to Mr. Wang Ching-wei's argument for peace, which included the loss and destruction of the most important cities, and the suffering of the Chinese masses, Mr. Wu Tze-hui declared that in order to achieve final victory, "China will have to undergo sacrifices and sufferings. But we are fighting for a way to existence and future stability, amidst the most difficult circumstances."

"Your attitude is the same as that of Henry Pu-yi (Emperor of Mancoukuo) or Dr. Hacha (last Czech President)," he declared.

Referring to Mr. Wang Ching-wei's query "Why leaders who favoured peace before are now opposing it," Mr. Wu Tze-hui declared: "The answer is a simple one. Take myself for example. I have always respected and admired you. But when you issued a joint statement with Mr. Chen Tu-hsiu, the Communist leader, I denounced you."

"It is only natural that we disagree with you if you want to be a traitor," he added.

Mr. Wu Tze-hui hinted that Mr. Tseng Chung-min, confidential secretary of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, before his death at the hands of assassins in Hanoi on March 21, "conscience striken by Mr. Wang Ching-wei's activities, secretly revealed Mr. Wang Ching-wei's secrets to the Central Government."—Reuter.

Royal Navy Moving Into Position

Mediterranean Fleet Prepared; Reports on Movements Obscure

Skolpje, Y.-S., Apr. 11.

Several British warships are lying in the harbour of Argostoli and also at Astako, reliable reports from Greece said today.—United Press.

London, Apr. 11.

A telephonic connection between the United Press offices here and at Athens was immediately cut today by the Athens operator when mention was made of several British warships reaching the harbour of Argostoli.

The "Daily Express" said that warships at Gibraltar had been ordered to stand-by under four hours notice to sail. Garrison troops have taken up wartime station and gas masks and steel helmets have been distributed. The steps were officially described as precautionary measures, the "Daily Express" said.—United Press.

Paris Press Reports

Paris, Apr. 11.

All British warships in the Mediterranean, not already stationed at British or French ports, have been ordered to put in at British or French naval bases, according to "Le Matin." The British cruiser Malaya, lying at anchor off Menione, therefore left for an unknown destination. Likewise the British warships, including the Warspite, the flagship of the British Mediterranean fleet, Barham and Aberdeen which had paid a visit to San Remo on the Italian Riviera, weighed anchor yesterday. Vessels already stationed at or on their way to Malta include the aircraft carrier, H. M. S. Glorious; the heavy cruisers Devonshire, Shropshire and Sussex; the light cruisers Arethusa, Galatea and Penelope; the first and second destroyer flotilla, the first submarine flotilla and several hospital ships.

"Le Petit Parisien" claims to have received information from a trustworthy source about the impending British naval demonstration in the Mediterranean. It will be carried out, it is stated, in collaboration with the French Mediterranean fleet which has been considerably reinforced. It is unlikely, the paper declares, that British naval forces will proceed to occupy the Island of Corfu.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. Radio Inquiry Committee Reports

Italo-German Propaganda Facts Investigated

Washington, Apr. 10.

A report dealing with Italo-German radio propaganda in Latin America will shortly be drawn up by the inter-ministerial committee President Roosevelt recently appointed to study South American radio problems.

Well-informed quarters declared that this report will probably confirm lessened Italian activities, caused by the fact that Rome perceived but few results from its actions in the past.

The report, it was held, will probably advise a development of present facilities extended by the Government to broadcasters of short-wave emissions directed towards Latin America.—Havas.

Little Club Opens Doors After Brawl

Estimated Damage of Monday's Fight $1,000

After over twelve hours of work on the part of carpenters and coolies, the Little Club on Bubbling Well Rd. which was nearly wrecked on Monday evening when Italian marines attacked a Seaforth Highlander and thus caused a free-for-all to ensue, opened its doors on time last night, to see a practically full house of dance-eager patrons.

"We did not stop work since 7 a.m. this morning", the manager told a "North-China Daily News" reporter late last night, "and we certainly hope that incidents like yesterday's will not occur again."

Questioned as to the approximate damage caused by the fighting soldiers, the manager said that the accounts had not yet been added up but that the figure must be very near the $1,000 mark. "Apart from that," he continued, "we lost about three hours of business and many patrons left the establishment without having had time to settle their accounts, so that our total loss is likely to be considerably higher".

Meanwhile it was understood that the taxi-dancer who had been injured in the head and was subsequently admitted to the General Hospital, had returned to her home although she is still confined to bed.

All window panes and glass plates, which cover the tables, were new and had it not been for flower pots lying on the stairs, no-one would have thought that 24 hours previously, blood had been flowing there.

At the entrance, no special precautions had been taken and when the reporter on coming down from the ball-room, found a group of American military policemen standing in front of the door, his apprehensions that something might be "in the air" were dispelled, as they proceeded to a patrol car standing in the vicinity. Italian Marines were conspicuous by their absence in most cabarets last night and, although this could not be confirmed in any way, it was understood that they had been confined to barracks pending completion of enquiries into the brawl which on Monday evening caused at least eight persons, two of them women, to be injured.

Two Early Morning Hold Ups Give Thugs $180

Three men, two of them armed with pistols, entered a barber shop at 728 Connaught Road yesterday morning without desiring to get either a shave or a hair-cut. As a matter of fact they pointed their pistols at the confraternity of barbers on the premises and forced them to open the cash draw, decamping with the $30 which were found therein. When the alarm was raised, the thugs had disappeared in "Ta Tao" territory. No shots were fired. Detectives from Gordon Road station are at present investigating the case.

Earlier in the morning, four thugs, one of whom was armed with a small calibre pistol, entered a country-style house off Ferry Road near Penang Road and after holding up the inmates decamped with $150 in cash. They were able to make their escape before an alarm could be turned in to Pootoo Road Police station, where detectives are now busy following up a few meagre clues.

World's Largest Stoker For China Firm

London, Apr. 10.

The International Combustion Company today announced that it was completing the world's largest mechanical stoker for a firm in China. The huge stoker, which weighs 160 tons, has been especially designed for the China Light and Power Company, the British firm announced.—United Press.

Moorish Troops to Leave Spain Soon

Madrid, Apr. 11.

Preparations are being made to send back home certain Moorish detachments which took part in the civil war, among Nationalist forces. Several battalions of these troops have left already for Cadiz by train, and will board vessels for Africa, their native land.—Havas.

Italy Gets Quadruplets And Triplets

Rome, Apr. 10.

Italy acquired one set of quadruplets and one set of triplets during the Easter holidays. Four boys were born to a woman in Rovigo and three boys to a woman in Udine. Signor Mussolini has presented a complete outfit of baby clothing to the mother of the quadruplets.—Trans-Ocean.

Woolwich Electric Plant Strike

London, Apr. 11.

Five thousand workers in four plants belonging to the Siemens Brothers electrical supplies concern of Woolwich decided to strike today following the dismissal of the secretary of their union.—Havas.

British Fortification Expert in Singapore

Singapore, Apr. 11.

Col. George Brian Ogilvie Taylor, British Army specialist in fortifications, arrived here yesterday to inspect the island's fixed defences. He was sent by the War Office in London.—United Press.

Business Tax for Canton

Canton, Apr. 11.

A business tax will be imposed from April 15, according to an announcement made by finance department of the Peace Preservation Committee. The levy will affect all kinds of business in Canton city, and the rate will be approximately the same as that charged by the former Chinese authorities. The tax will be collected quarterly, and only Japanese military yen will be accepted in payment.

The Chinese authorities have started taking a census of the population. The police are calling from house to house taking down all particulars.—Reuter.

Air Transport of Italian Troops

Spectacular Landings In Albania Featured; Artillery Brought

Tirana, Apr. 11.

Italian Army officials continued spectacular displays of transporting troops by air today when 200 Italian transport planes returned here for more men after landing 5,200 Italian soldiers in inaccessible mountainous parts of Albania near the Greek frontier. All Italian troops for the complete occupation of Albania were expected to be stationed by nightfall.

One of the first acts of the provisional government established here by Italy was to release all political prisoners jailed for activities against former King Zog.

Underground Albanian reports said today that Albanian forces were still resisting the Italians in mountainous areas despite the occupation by Italy of all major Albanian cities.

Military experts here understand that Italian artillery in Albania will be of sufficient range, when combined with Italian coastal batteries, to close the narrow entrance to the Adriatic Sea without the aid of the Italian Navy.—United Press.

Italian Proclamation

Rome, Apr. 11.

A proclamation was issued to the Albanian people by General Guzzoni, Commander of the Italian Expeditionary Force in Albania, it was reported here.

General Guzzoni declared that all Italians will respect the properties, cultural beliefs and traditions of the Albanian people but severe punishment will be dealt to all those who fight the new programme in Albania. Hostile actions against Italians will be submitted to martial law, he concluded.

It is announced from Tirana that the branch offices of the Albanian National Bank will reopen for business today, the value of the Albanian currency remaining unchanged.—Havas.

Queen's Mother Flees

Zagreb, Apr. 10.

Madame Giraud, former Countess Apponyi and mother of Queen Geraldine of Albania, passed through Zagreb this morning with her husband, Colonel Giraud. She came from Tirana, Albanian capital, where she stayed from March 16 until April 6, when she had to escape to Klagenfurth. She and her husband are now on their way to Switzerland and France.—Havas.

Albanian Crown Offered

Budapest, Apr. 11.

The "Eight O'Clock Gazette" reports from Rome today under big headlines that King Victor Emmanuele will accept the crown of Albania. According to the paper's Rome correspondent, Italian diplomatic circles assure that the incorporation of Albania in the Italian Imperium will very shortly be an accomplished fact.

The correspondent further states that rumours current in Rome mention the end of April as the probable date of King Victor Emmanuele's coronation in Tirana. The King will, it is believed, subsequently be represented in Albania by a Viceroy.—Trans-Ocean.

General Assembly Called

Rome, Apr. 11.

The provisional Albanian Council has summoned for a meeting in Tirana at 4 p.m. tomorrow the General Assembly composed of delegates from all provinces representing all classes of the population. The Council has instructed all Albanian diplomats abroad to abstain from any activities until the receipt of further orders.—Havas.

Navigation Ban May Be Lifted in Shantung

Registered Chinese Ships May Be Allowed to Trade

Tsingtao, Apr. 11.

Restrictions against Chinese navigation along the Shantung coast imposed by the Japanese naval authorities since the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese conflict in Shanghai, will be partially lifted soon, it was learned here today.

Vessels owned by members of the Federated Shipping League, carrying permits issued by the League, will be permitted to operate and engage in trade along the Shantung coast and along the Kiangsu coast north of the Sheyang River under the new regulations.

Navigation and trade along "bandit-infested" coasts will remain forbidden, however, it was stated.—Domei.

German Refugees from Poland Arrive

Danzig, Apr. 10.

Nearly 100 German refugees arrived here from Poland over the Easter holidays. With the exception of two Reich Germans, all of them, including many women and children, are Polish subjects who fled across the frontier to escape persecution by the Poles. The National People's Welfare Society is caring for them. The women refugees stated that their houses had been partly demolished and their husbands arrested by the Poles without reason.—Trans-Ocean.

Gen. Weygand Goes To Teheran

Paris, Apr. 11.

General Weygand left Paris today by air for Teheran, via Bagdad, to represent the French Government at the forthcoming wedding of the Iranian crown prince to Princess Fawziah of Egypt.—Trans-Ocean.

Australia Mourns Late Prime Minister

Memorial Mass Broadcast From Cathedral in Sydney

Sydney, Apr. 11.

In St. Mary's Cathedral here Archbishop Paniko celebrated a mass in memory of the late Prime Minister, Mr. J. A. Lyons. Several Bishops, the Governor General, Lord Gowrie, as representative of His Majesty King George VI; three state governors, all members of both Houses of Parliament, the chiefs of the military and civil authorities as well as the entire diplomatic corps attended. The divine service was broadcast over all state and private stations.

After the conclusion of the mass, the coffin covered by the national flag was borne out of St. Mary's Cathedral and placed on a gun-carriage, drawn through the city with the highest military honours and brought on board the destroyer Bendetta which conveyed the mortal remains of the late Premier to his native town of Devenport in Tasmania. — Trans-Ocean.

"Duty of Every Man to Defend His Country"

Mr. Lloyd George Sounds Warning to Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 10.

Declaring that it was the duty of every man to defend his country, Mr. David Lloyd George, in a speech tonight at Nevin, Wales, said: "We must have men and we should take measures to get men. We cannot afford to gamble with one of the most serious situations.

"We are dealing with two intelligent men, who are determined to follow their ambition."

It was essential, he continued, that all parties should co-operate and he was confident that with such co-operation, understanding and tact, Great Britain would pull through.—Reuter.

I.L.P. May Join with Labour Party Again

Resolution Approves Conditional Merger

London, Apr. 10.

A resolution in favour of conditional affiliation with the parent Labour Party was passed by a vote of 69 to 40 at the annual congress of the Independent Labour Party today. A resolution for immediate affiliation was rejected by a vote of 63 to 45.

The I.L.P. National Council was consequently invited to draft the conditions on which the Party would agree to unite once again with the Labour Party, from whom it broke away in 1932.—Havas.

London Stock Market Weakens

London, Apr. 11.

The Stock Exchange opened weak today. War loans were quoted at the lowest level this year. United States steel, oils, minings and industrials were also lower.—United Press.

Nazi Press Attack Against England

Violent Diatribe on Guarantees Offered To Balkan Nations

Berlin, Apr. 11.

"The acme of democratic impudence has been reached. England wants to bring her warships to the very doors of the Roman Empire." Beginning its editorial with that statement, the "12 Uhr Blatt" today launched a most violent attack against Great Britain, whom it accused of wishing to use Greek ports as bases for the British fleet.

"This 'gesture of confidence' from England to Greece is a provocation which exceeds by far what has already been seen of provocative demonstrations," the journal added. "To approve it would be to contemplate with patience England's bellicose action against Italy. It is a mistake to believe that Germany would have as much patience as all that. It would be a mistake for most of the British politicians who favour a policy of encirclement to believe that Italy would stand by motionless before such a provocative stationing of British guns. Nobody is being threatened in the Balkans. Neither Greece, nor Yugoslavia, nor Rumania, nor Turkey are exposed to a military attack."

Diplomatic Activity Mocked

The "Deutsche Dienst," also used violens language against Great Britain and the British press.

It termed as "comic" the activity in London and Paris during the Easter holidays, contrasting it with the serene calm reigning in Berlin and Rome.

"This apparent nervousness has, nevertheless, a reason to be," the journal continued. "It was aimed at bringing Greece, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Turkey to act to the benefit of the British Empire's interests. This chatting by the Democracies will not affect either Germany or Italy. These two states will come even closer together to achieve their ideal: real justice and lasting peace."—Havas.

New Italian Campaign Against France

Rome, Apr. 10.

A new Italian campaign against France was considered possible today following the publication of inspired Fascist messages from Tunis charging mistreatment of Italian residents there, diplomatic sources said. The messages also accused France of fomenting hatred against Italians.—United Press.

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Mr. H. F. Dyott Collapses After Kidnapping

Removed to Hospital After Rescue in Tientsin

Tientsin, Apr. 11.

Mr. H. F. Dyott, 52 year-old Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce, who was rescued on April 3 from the hands of armed bandits who had abducted him on March 17, collapsed today, and was sent to hospital.

Mr. Dyott was released through the efforts of a mixed party of British and Japanese, who proceeded to a spot near Hsiaochan, seven miles inland from Koku, on the Tientsin-Taku Road.

When he returned to Tientsin, Mr. Dyott appeared to be in quite fit condition.—Reuter.

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Thousands of sufferers from Kidney trouble and Bladder weakness have stopped Getting Up Nights, Leg Pains, Circles Under Eyes, Swollen Ankles, Nervousness, Stiffness, Rheumatism, Dizziness, Lumbago, Burning, Itching, Smarting, Acidity and Loss of Vigour by a Doctor's new discovery called Cystex (Sistex). Gently soothes, tones, cleans, and heals raw, sore kidneys. In 15 minutes Cystex starts purifying your blood. Brings new health, youth and vitality in 48 hours. Guaranteed to end your troubles in 8 days or money back. Get Cystex at all chemists. No. 3

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank
Tuesday, April 11, 1939

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 3/32	$ 29.20
U.S. $100 @ 16	$625.00

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 5/16	$28.872
U.S. $100 @ 16¼	$615.38
London—demand	8 5/16
4 months' sight credits	8 11/32
4 months' sight docts	8⅜
6 months' sight credits	8⅜
6 months' sight docts	8 13/32
New York—demand	U.S. $16¼
4 months' sight credits	16¼
4 months' sight docts	16⅜
Paris—4 months' sight docts	Fcs. 626

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling .... 8¼ U.S. $16 1/16
Hongkong/London 1/2 11/16

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 15 15/16 .... $627.45
Hongkong $55⅝ $100.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders	Buying	30¾
Java Guilders	,,	30⅝
Netherlands Guilders	Selling	30¼
Java Guilders	,,	30⅛

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100=$617.76 £1=$28.981
Selling U.S.$100=$625.00 £1=$29.201

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.95¼=$1 Belgas 27.70=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 3.01=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.71½=$1
Tourist Lire 3.33 .... $1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T. $100=Rm. 39¾
$100=Reg. Mk. 78.00 incl. License fee

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson
INTERBANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	8¼	8¼
U.S. G$	16 1/32	16 1/16
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING Cash		BUYING Apr.-May	
£ T.T.	8 3/32	4 m/s. l.c.	8 11/32
G.$ T.T.	16 1/16	4 m/s. l.c.	16 3/16
Fcs. T.T.	606	4 m/s.	617
Rs. T.T.	45⅝	15 d/s.	46¼

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20	19 15/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	52.11	—

Bombay offtake 30 bars.

London silver was 1/16 up for ready and unchanged forward, being 20-for ready and 19 15/16 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was 1 anna up at 52.11.

It was reported a little bear covering found sellers reserved, but Indian sold at the advance. Market steady. After the official fixing the market ruled steady but idle.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 3/32 sterling and 16 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was very quiet and there was no movement in rates. There was still a holiday feeling and no inclination to operate. At the close there was sellers at:—

8¼	sterling	16 1/16	U.S.$	Apr.
8 11/32	,,	16 3/32	,,	May
8 11/32	,,	15 31/32	,,	June

Foreign Exchanges

New York U.S.$ T. T. on: Apr. 10

Berlin	40.21	Japan	27.31
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.18
Holland	53.08½	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.64⅞	C'slovakia	,,
Brussels	16.83½	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.72½
S'zerland	22.43½	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.13	Greece	0.86
Norway	23.52½	Bulgaria	1.20
Denmark	20.90	Finland	2.07
Montreal	99.430	Poland	18.85½
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.68¼
,, Demand	4.68
,, Bankers' 60 days bills	4.67 15/32
,, Commercial 60 days bills	4.67 13/32
Buenos Aires, Paper	29.04
,, ,, Market Rate	23.15
Montreal on London	4.70¾

Bombay and London: Closed.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

New York:	Apr. 10
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B 0½%A
Call Money	1%

London: Closed.
B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Apr. 11	Closing a.m. Closing	Prices p.m. Closing
Antamok	.315	.33
Balatoc	8.00	8.00
Atok	.29	.29
Batong Buhay	.015	.015
Benguet Consolidated	11.70	11.80
Big Wedge	—	.25
Coco Grove	.35	.335
Demonstration	.125	.12
I X L	.51	.49
Masbate	.125	.12
North Camarines	—	.47
San Mauricio	1.78	1.74
Surigao Cons., Com.	—	.21
Surigao Con. Vot. Trust	—	—
Suyoc	.16	.155
United Paracale		.59

Turnover: 419,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (closing prices) 97.98.
—Reuter.

March Rubber Outputs

	lb.
Alma Estates, Ltd.	28,000
Batu Anam (Johore) Rubber Estates, Ltd.	23,000
Chemor United Rubber Company, Ltd.	32,000
Cheng Rubber Estates, Ltd.	10,000
Kapayang Rubber Estates, Co., Ltd.	—
Repah Rubber & Tapioca Estates, Ltd.	27,000
Rubber Trust, Ltd.	117,000
Semambu Rubber Estates, Ltd.	20,000
Samagaga Rubber Co., Ltd.	18,000
Senawang Rubber Estates Co., (1921) Ltd.	—
Shanghai Malay Rubber Estates, Ltd.	25,000
Shanghai Seremban Rubber Estates, Ltd.	12,000
Sua Manggis Rubber Co., Ltd.	9,000
Tebong Rubber Estates, Ltd.	69,000

U.S. Wheat Crop Report

Washington, Apr. 10.

The Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture makes the following report as of April 1:—

	1938	1939
Winter Wheat:— Indicated Yield per sown acre	12.6	11.9 bushels

Stocks of Wheat on Farms:— (as of April 1)

1937	1938	1939
71,463,000	124,883,000	189,090,000 bushels

The final report on the Yield per sown acre for Winter Wheat (1938), issued on December 21 indicated:—13.8 bushels.—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

In view of the happenings over the holidays it was generally expected that the market would open sharply lower. Once again the Shanghai market shewed surprising steadiness and holders can feel very pleased with the action of the market, especially when a comparison is made with European and particularly the American market.

Declines were generally fractional and though business was small, a fair turnover was experienced in Ewos and Wheelocks. Buses, however, declined sharply to $25½ on disappointment with the final dividend of .70 cents. This dividend had but small relation to the earnings which are understood to have been very satisfactory.

Rubbers continue to be neglected, though cable advices from New York report increasing nervousness regarding the tightening spot situation.

Official Averages

1939 High	Low		Today's Average	Change
155.01	105.32	General	141.11	—0.54
152.40	95.56	Rubbers	142.41	—0.76½

Total 17,855 shares, 7,478 bonds.

Morning Session

$607,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 91.00
$129,800	S'hai Land 5% Debs.	85.50
$1,000	S'hai Telephone 6% Debs.	96.00
500	Anglo Java	15.20
200	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.00
100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.90
1,000	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.00
500	S'hai Loan	6.00
400	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.90
1,100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.00
500	New Eng. (Ord)	6.85
1,200	Wheelock	35.50
500	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.90
400	Kaiping	25.25
600	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.80
1,000	Wheelock	35.25
2,000	S'hai Loan	5.90
500	Exploration	8.00
100	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.00
500	Exploration	8.00
100	S'hai Cotton	106.00
95	S'hai Power (Pref)	128.00
150	S. W. W. "C"	27.50
10	S. W. W. "A"	635.00
200	C. G. Omnibus	25.50

ODD LOTS

50	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 40.00
40	S'hai Land	8.50
5	S'hai Power (Pref)	128.00

Afternoon Session

T5,000	China Realty 8% Debs.	T 55.00
$5,000	S. M. C. 5% Debs. 1937	$ 86.00
1,000	Java Consolidated	2.45
130	C. G. Omnibus	25.50
1,800	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.90
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	128.00
350	Caldbeck Macg. (Ord)	11.50
1,500	S'hai Land	8.70
800	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.00
100	S'hai Cotton	106.00
400	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.10

ODD LOTS

5	S'hai Power (Pref)	$127.75

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 10.

Trading in the cotton market today was rather a featureless affair. With most of the leading world markets closed, there was very little incentive to enter into new commitments. Early liquidation was later offset by the improvement in Wall Street and better Bombay cables which induced some new buying and covering. Closing prices ranged from 1 point up to 2 points down.

With the slight easing of the European political situation, some precipitation in the dry areas and prospects of a good Winter wheat crop, a downward adjustment in prices was noted in the Chicago Grain Pit after a higher opening. However, the nearterm action of the market is largely dependent on political factors. Final quotations showed losses from ½ to ⅝ compared with the previous close.

Rubber prices rallied today after a shaky start on new participation induced by the rally in Wall Street and the better European outlook. The near term outlook, combined with better than anticipated consumption figures, were additional bolstering factors. However, the political situation in Europe is being closely watched by traders relative to future shipments of stocks. The undertone of the market was good, but price changes were confined to a very narrow range. At the final bell, all positions were 2 points down from the previous closing quotations.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
May	7.99-80	+01	May	16.08-08	—02
July	7.80-80	unc	July	16.03-09	—02
Oct.	7.50-50	—01		B/A	
Dec.	7.45-45	unc	Sept.	16.08-08	—02
Jan.	7.43-44	—02	Dec.	16.08-09	—02
Mar.	7.49-49	—02		B/A	

New York Sugar No. 4			New York Silk		
May	1.22-22½	+½			
	B/A		May (No. 1)		
July	1.22-22½	+½		2.22-22	+4
	B/A				

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
May	68¾-68⅞	—⅝	May	47¾-47⅞	—¼
July	68-68⅛	—½	July	49⅜-49⅜	—¼
Sept.	68⅝-68¾	—⅜	Sept.	50⅜-50⅜	—¼
				B/A	

Winnipeg Wheat

May	61-61⅛	—⅝
July	62-62	—½
Oct.	62⅞-63	—⅝

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

U. S. Steel Mill Operations

New York, Apr. 10.

Steel mill activity in the United States for the week commencing April 10 was placed at 52.1 per cent. of capacity, according to the weekly report of the American Iron and Steel Institute, which was published today.

This compares with 54.7 per cent. of capacity last week and 32.7 per cent. of capacity for the week commencing April 11, 1938, showing a decrease of 2.6 per cent. of capacity and an increase of 19.4 per cent. of capacity respectively, compared with the figure for the week under review. —Reuter.

Federal Reserve System

New York, Apr. 10.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended April 6 respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveal a decrease on total loans amounting to $27,000,000 compared with the previous week and of $513,000,000 compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Investments show increases of $82,000,000 over last week and of $1,316,000,000 over the corresponding period of last year.

Total loans during the period under review amounted to $8,164,000,000 and investments $13,470,000,000.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 10.

With European news at a standstill and no unforeseen developments transpiring over the holidays, traders took heart and entered the stock market absorbing scattered liquidation. However, some soft spots were noted here and there, but, generally, the market gave a good account of itself, presaging a continuation of today's rally, barring any accentuation of the present European situation. The volume of trading today amounted to 1,650,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

30 Indust	124.27	120.82	124.03	+2.59
20 Rails	24.81	23.95	24.74	+0.60
15 Utilit.	21.10	20.32	20.95	+0.24
40 Bonds	—	—	87.38	—0.04
11 Commod.	—	—	47.25	—

	Apr. 8	10
Adams Express	6¾	7⅜
Allegheny Ludlum Steel	14¼	14⅞
Allied Stores	6¼	6⅝
Allis Chalmers	28	30
Amerada Corp.	51	51
Amer. Can	84	85
Amer. & For. Power	2	2⅛
,, ,, $7 pfd.	13	12¾
Amer. Gas & Elec.	31½	32½
Amer. Locomotive	14⅜	16½
Amer. Metal	28¼	28
Amer. Radiator	10½	11⅝
Amer. Rolling Mill	12¾	12½
Amer. Smelting	36½	38¾
Amer. Sugar Refining	17⅜	16⅝
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	150	149¾
Amer. Tobacco "B"	76	77⅝
Amer. Waterworks	8⅝	8⅞
Anaconda Copper	21½	22⅜
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	24⅝	26
Auburn	2¾	2½
Baltimore & Ohio	4¾	4⅞
Barber Asphalt Corp.	10⅞	11⅝
Barnsdall Oil Co.	13	13
Bendix Aviation	17⅜	18⅞
Bethlehem Steel	52½	55⅝
Boeing Airplane Co.	20¾	20¾
Borg Warner	20	21
Briggs Mfg. Co.	17⅛	18
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	7½	7⅞
,, $6 cum. pfd.	27	26¾
Can. Pacific Rly.	3½	3¾
Case, J.I.	68⅛	71
Celanese Corp.	14	14¾
Chase Nat. Bank	B 28¾	B 28¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	28½	29⅜
Chrysler	56⅛	58⅜
Columbia Gas & Elec.	5½	5⅝
,, 6% "A" pfd.	80	79
Coml. Credit	39⅜	42
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1¼	1¼
,, $6 cum. pfd.	50	48½
Consolid. Edison	27⅞	28¼
Consolid. Oil	7½	7¼
Continental Can	33½	33¾
Continental Oil	22¼	23
Corn Products	57½	58
Curtiss Wright (com.)	4¾	4⅞
,, ,, "A"	20⅜	21¼
Deere & Co.	16½	17¼
Distillers Corp.	16	15⅞
Douglas Aircraft	59⅝	61½
Du Pont de Nemours	129¼	133
Eagle Picher Lead	7¾	8
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	17⅛	17
Elec. Auto Lite	24½	25
Elec. Bond & Share	6¾	7½
,, $5 pfd.	—	50⅜
,, $6 pfd.	60¼	60¾
Elec. Pwr. & Lt.	22¼	24¾
Flintkote	16¾	18
Food Machinery Corp.	B 22	B 22
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	40	41
Gen. Elec.	32⅛	33¼
Gen. Motors	37¾	39¼
Gen. Rly Signal	14	15
Glidden Co.	15	15¼
Goodrich (B.F.)	14¼	15¼
,, $5 pfd.	54	54
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	23	24
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	12¾	13⅛
Great Nthrn. Rly.	16⅞	18½
Great Western Sugar	24⅛	24¼
Greyhound Corp.	15⅝	16⅜
Hecker Products	9	9⅛
Homestake Min.	62¼	61½
Indus. Rayon	17¼	17¾
Int. Harvester	48⅛	50⅜
Int. Nickel	44⅛	44½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	6⅝	6¾
Johns Manville	65¼	69½
Jones & Laughlin	35	B 35⅛
Kennecott	28¼	29⅞
Libby-Owens-Ford Galss	37	39
Lockheed Aircraft	24¾	25¾
Loew's Inc.	36	36½
Manhattan Shirt Co.	10¾	—
Martin, Glenn L.	31⅜	32⅝
McKesson & Robbins	10¼	10
Monsanto Chemical	87⅝	87
Montgomery Ward	42¼	42¾
Nat. City Bank	B 21¾	B 22
Nat. Dairy Products	13⅛	13¾
Nat. Distillers	24⅛	24⅞
Nat. Gypsum	10⅛	10⅜
Nat. Lead	18⅞	19½
Nat. Power & Lt.	6¾	7¼
Nat. Steel Corp.	60	60
Nat. Supply Co.	6½	7⅜
New York Central	12½	13⅛
Niagara Hudson Power	6	6¼
North Amer. Aviation	14	14⅛
North Amer. Co.	19⅜	20⅛
Northern Pacific	7⅜	7⅞
Pacific Gas & Elec.	28⅛	28½
Pacific Lighting	41½	42½
Packard Motors	3⅛	3
Paramount Pictures Inc.	7	7¼
Pennsylvania R.R.	16⅛	16⅜
Phelps Dodge	28⅜	30½
Phillips Petroleum	32¼	32¼
Public Serv. of N.J.	31½	32
Pullman, Inc.	23¾	26
Pure Oil	7⅛	7⅛
Radio Corp. of Amer.	5½	5¾
Republic Steel Co.	13½	14⅛
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	36	35½
Richfield Oil Corp.	6⅞	6⅞
Safeway Stores	29	29⅞
Schenley	12	12⅞
,, 5% pfd.	69	—
Sears Roebuck	61⅝	63½
Shell Union Oil	11¼	11⅛
Socony-Vacuum	11	10¾
Sthrn. Pacific	11	11¼
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	17	18½
Sperry Corp.	37⅜	38¼
Stand. Brands	6	6⅛
Stand. Gas & Elec.	2½	2⅝
Stand. Oil of Calif.	26	26
Stand. Oil of N.J.	43	43¾
Stone & Webster	8¾	9½
Swift International	26	26
Technicolor	15⅛	15½
Texas Corp.	35	36¼
Texas Gulf Sulphur	27	27
Transamerica	5⅞	5¾
Tw. Century Fox	17⅜	18
,, ,, pfd.	29	28¾
Un. Carbide & Carbon	65½	69
Un. Pacific	85⅝	86½
Un. Aircraft	34⅜	35¼
Un. Air Lines Trans.	8⅛	8½
Un. Corp.	2⅛	2¼
,, $3 cum. pfd.	30¾	31¾
Un. Gas Corp.	1¾	1¾
Un. Gas Improvement	11	11
U. S. Rubber	32⅝	34⅞
,, 8% pfd.	88½	90¼
U. S. Steel	45⅛	46⅝
Vanadium	16⅝	17
Warner Bros. Picts.	4⅛	4⅛
Westinghouse Elec.	84	86½
Woodward Iron	15⅛	15½

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	53	53½
Brazil	16	16¼
Baltimore & Ohio	17	17½
Cities Serv. Pwr.	75	78
Erie R.R.	7⅝	9
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	57	58
Minas Geraes	10	10
New England Gas & Elec.	62	62
Peru	9	9⅛
Rio Grande do Sul	B 8½	B 9⅛
Sao Paulo	B 9	B 8
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	41⅛	42
Stand. Gas & Elec.	56	55½

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Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Continued nervousness was evident on the Stock Exchange today over the foreign political situation, but technical considerations restricted selling. Later, an irregular recovery set in on purely technical grounds after a sharp decline, with gains ranging to about two points. Steels regained their equilibrium after early weakness due to an announcement of a decline in steel mill operations. However, while market leaders generally ruled higher, numerous losses were recorded in thin markets amongst some higher priced issues. Nevertheless, margin selling was easily absorbed and the consequent rally aided numerous accounts to close with an edge.

The bond market closed irregularly higher, with, however, Government issues finishing irregularly lower. The foreign exchange market presented an easy tendency.

By courtesy of S. E. Levy & Co.

Regardless of any possible extension of the downward movement, the rapidity and acceleration of the liquidation must soon bring a retardance of the selling momentum. Unfulfilled Spring prospects have accentuated the damage. The selling has been mostly of American origin, unlike that in September and January. Foreign selling has been small and favourable foreign news is likely to quicken confidence overseas.

The only source of impending major liquidation is probably the investment trusts, but this will probably be reluctantly and only from slow disillusionment regarding the year's final earning prospects.

Disregarding the foreign influence, which is probably rather an excuse than a cause, the adjustment of values is due to over optimism regarding the Spring recovery. Business in the first quarter was good, but it is lacking the seasonal upturn. The comparison is quite favourable with 1938, but the gain is not of normal proportion. Barron's index adjusted for trend, is currently placed at 73.4 against a normal expectation of 83.0.

Consumers' goods inventories are not burdensome. While some backlogs are below 1937, operating policies are so cautious that the slightest deterioration or improvement should immediately affect production schedules. Therefore, a slow deterioration of business activity is more probable than inventory liquidation.

The Farmers Return on Consumer Dollar Falls

According to Statistics Lowest in Four Years

Washington, Apr. 10.

Last year the farmer's share of the consumer's food dollar—40 cents—was the smallest in four years, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This means, the Bureau explained, that out of every dollar paid by a city worker for a farm product 60 cents went to processing, transportation and selling costs and only 40 cents to the producer of the raw product.

The study included a representative list of 58 foods. The farmer's share of the food dollar in 1937 was 45 cents, 44 cents in 1936, 42 cents in 1935 and 37 cents in 1934. The 1913-15 average was 53 cents.

A drop of 9 per cent. in the retail value of the 58 foods last year, compared with 1937, was borne almost entirely by producers, it was shown. Processing, transportation and distribution charges declined 1 per cent.

The Bureau estimated that the average city worker's family last year spent $321 for the 58 principal foods. Of that amount farmers received $130 and those who handled it between the farm and the family food basket divided $191.

In 1937 the family food bill was $353, of which the farmer received $160 and the others $193. The study showed that the spread between what the farmer receives for the raw product and what the city worker pays has increased steadily in the past 25 years.

The low point both in the cost of food and the percentage received by farmers was reached in 1932, when the total cost was $270. In that year the farmer received $88 of the family food budget and all others $182.

An improvement in 1939 consumer income over 1938 such as is now anticipated should lead to some increase in the proportion of the consumer's food dollar received by farmers, the Bureau said.—United Press.

N.Y. Market Stages Irregular Recovery

New York, Apr. 10.

Prices on the New York Stock Exchange staged an irregular recovery today on purely technical grounds. Trading increased and gains ranged up to two points.

Steels were strong early in the session but wavered when it was announced that operations would decline this week. Later steels regained their equilibrium.

Motors gained easily when selling pressure was removed. Rails and utilities showed small gains while aviations, chemicals and some mercantiles joined in the upturn. Coppers also were firm.

Leaders generally were high, but there were many losses. There was some margin selling after last week's decline.

Bonds were firm except for foreign issues and United States Government issues.

Traders remained nervous over the foreign situation but technical considerations and the restriction of selling gave prices an opportunity to recoup.

Wall Street hears that Europe bought stocks early in today's trading. Mcintyre Procupine is considered an attractive "deflation hedge." General American Transportation's earnings this year are expected to be above 1938. West Vaco Chlorine Products earnings for the first quarter of 1939 may be 10 per cent. ahead of the corresponding period of last year.

Favourable market factors today included:

1. Technically the market appears to be entitled to a recover.
2. Department of Commerce reports reveal that 1939 first quarter manufacturing output was the best since 1930 except for 1937.
3. U.S. Steel March shipments were 13.3 per cent. abvoe February.

Among the unfavourable factors were these:

1. The general foreign situation.
2. The decline in steel operations this week.
3. Commodity prices are about the lowest since late 1934.—United Press.

No Tripartite Monetary Accord Revision

Washington, Apr. 10.

There is nothing in the international situation to necessitate a revision of the Tripartite Monetary Accord between the United States, France and Great Britain, Treasury Secretary Henry J. Morgenthau, Jr., asserted at a Press conference today. —Havas.

Suez Canal Receipts

Paris, By Mail.

Suez Canal receipts continue to show a downward trend compared with last year. Receipts for the first twelve days of this month were £305,900, against £340,200 for the corresponding period in 1938. Total receipts from January 1 to March 12 inclusive were £1,792,400, against £1,962,800 for the corresponding period last year.—Exchange Telegraph.

Italy to Build New Liners

Rome, By Mail.

Following the breakdown of negotiations with the Union Government over the discontinuance of the shipping subsidy to Italian lines, the Lloyd Trestino Company is to increase its freight services round the African coasts.

An immediate start is planned on the construction of a series of 15,000-ton motor vessels with passenger and freight accommodation, and a speed of 18 knots, to be put on the Capetown route in 1941.

The passenger liners "Guilio Cesare" and "Duilio," which are to be taken off the Capetown route now that the subsidy is no longer to be paid, are being transferred to other services.

The "Duilio" will be chartered by the Italia Line—which is said to have had enquiries from Spain regarding an enlargement of the express service to Latin America—for its Genoa-Rio de Janeiro-Buenos Ayres service.

The "Guilio Cesare" is to undertake experimental trips from Genoa to Colombo, Singapore and Shanghai, as the Lloyd Trestino is planning an increased service to the Far East, especially to the British Dominions and Colonies.—Reuter.

Anglo-Swedish Trade

Foreign trade figures in January were better than in January, 1938, and exports as well as imports recorded improvement, states "The Economist." Figures have now become available for Sweden's foreign trade with the United Kingdom in 1938, and they assume a special interest in view of the forthcoming visit to Stockholm of Mr. Hudson. Swedish exports to the United Kingdom in 1938 were valued at Kr. 447 millions, compared with Kr. 479 millions in 1937. But only Kr. 425 millions represented goods consumed in the United Kingdom, the remaining Kr. 22 millions being re-exported. Pulp and paper exports to the United Kingdom fell from Kr. 142 millions in 1937 to Kr. 136 millions in 1938; iron and steel exports from Kr. 47 millions to Kr. 43 millions; and timber exports from Kr. 135 millions to Kr. 102 millions.

Imports from the United Kingdom in 1938 were valued at Kr. 376 millions, compared with Kr. 403 millions in 1937. Of this total goods produced in the United Kingdom accounted for only Kr. 250 millions, the rest being re-exports. Coal imports were Kr. 75 millions, against Kr. 85 millions in 1937; textile imports from the United Kingdom fell from Kr. 79 millions in 1937 to Kr. 65 millions; but machinery rose from Kr. 24 millions to Kr. 26 millions. There was also a slight rise in imports of British cars. The negotiations which Mr. Hudson conducting will be of a preliminary character and no final decisions about the modification of the Swedish-British trade treaty will be taken.

Japanese Govt. Bond

Osaka, Apr. 11.

Kogo 5% Y103.85
—Reuter.

Negress May Sing for Their Majesties

Mrs. Roosevelt to Present Guests with U.S. Music

Washington, Apr. 10.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President, revealed today that plans are being made to present a programme of distinctive American music during the visit of the British King and Queen to the White House in June.

Mrs. Roosevelt said the negress singer, Miss Marian Anderson, probably would be included on the programme. Mrs. Roosevelt recently resigned from the Daughters of the American Revolution because of their refusal to permit Miss Anderson to sing in a D.A.R. hall.—United Press.

The proposed semi-official sugar refinery is now under construction at Neikiang, in Szechuen province, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Wen Wei Pao." The enterprise is being capitalized at $3,000,000, the shares of which are allotted among the Bank of China, the Szechuen Provincial Government and among Chinese sugar merchants, and fully paid up, the report adds.

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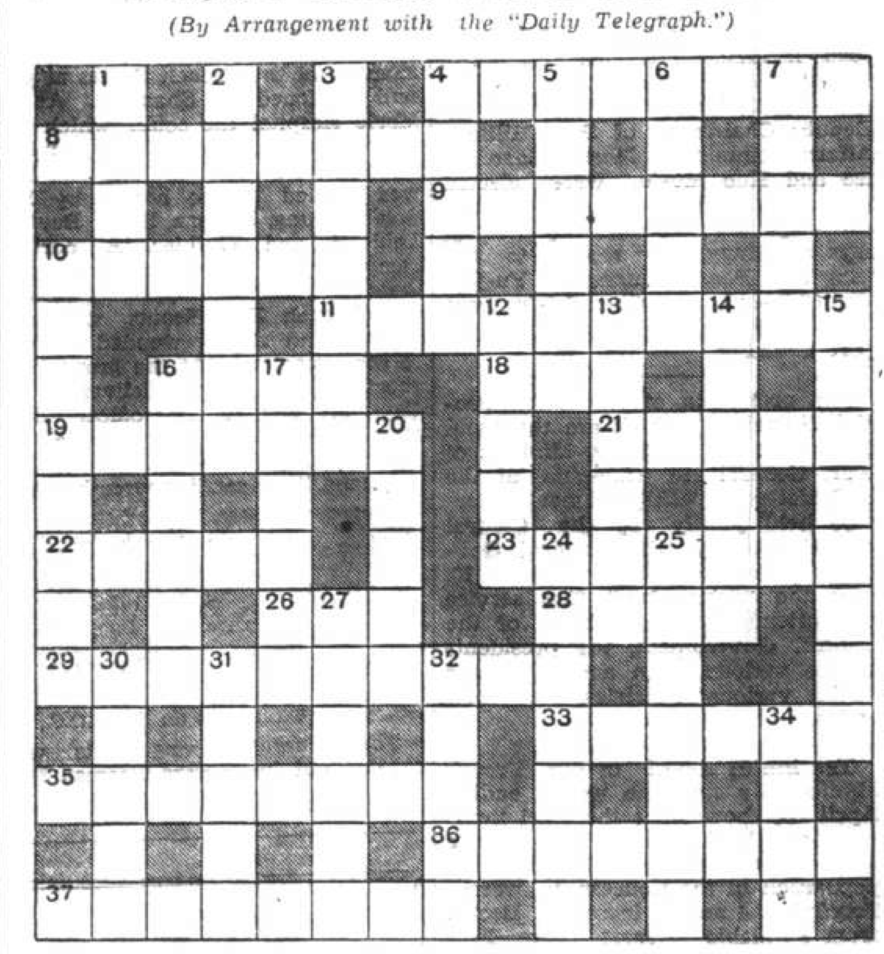

ACROSS

4 With a child it sometimes needs a firm father to act as this to a doting mother
8 An association of players and not what they play with (two words)
9 Something to wear for a girl after the musicians
10 Disguised (at the request of many?)
11 A report of recent I.R.A. activities possibly
16 They are seldom in difficulties when they find themselves in a hole
18 No one can avert its increase
19 Part of the royal train?
21 Begin again
22 A contortion from Dickens
23 Bunch is the opposite
26 In my surroundings it would be cheerful
28 If the Buffs swallowed it they would make beasts of themselves
29 He tore the middle, but entirely in a connected manner
33 A landowner seldom willingly breaks it
35 It may facilitate slipping on slippers
36 A "short one" (three words)
37 This material includes a college

DOWN

1 The girl to swindle an artist
2 A picnic dainty, often
3 Slow but sure is his motto
4 A cleric
5 Working to achieve harmony
6 The embarkation of this body would increase the transport's sound of this
7 One often sees this dance after the summer holidays
10 A joke in most of 16 across, but imposing
12 "A very gallant gentleman"
13 A wireless wire
14 Fire
15 No, not a dance at the Press ball (two words)
16 Even if we lost in upset much must remain
17 The depression of a "boxer"?
20 Long affirmative on sailors
24 There's foreign money in bamboo in S. America
25 Part of London from half 35 across possibly
27 A warship of great distinction
30 Not the same
31 Having no leanings
32 Feature of a sunset in Germany
34 Flower

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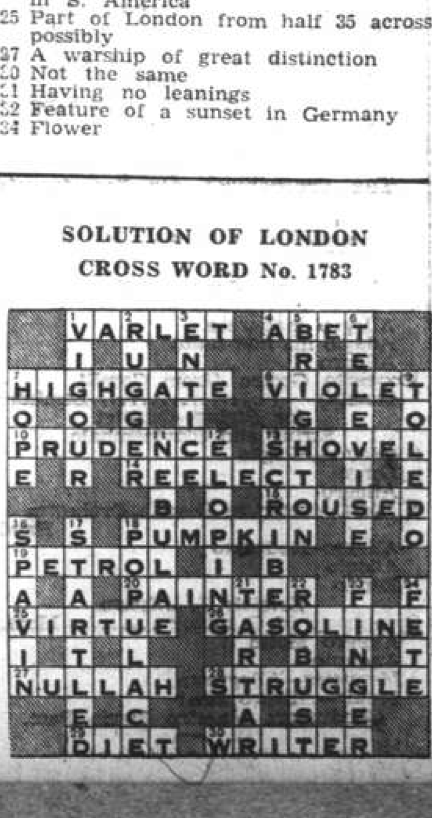

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. and Mrs. H. M. Hind returned from their honeymoon in Japan by the ss. Corfu.

MEMBERS are reminded of the 'keys' meeting to be held today in the club rooms at 939 Bubbling Well Road. Tea will be served at 5.30 p.m.

MRS. E. Rawson of Iltis Hydro and Hotel arrived yesterday from Tsingtao. She is staying at the Palace Hotel.

THOSE attending the bridge and mahjongg tea to be held today in aid of the Ministering Children's League at 85 Ferry Road, at 3 p.m., are reminded of the necessity of bringing their own mahjongg sets.

THE Minister for Denmark, Monsieur O. de Oxholm, accompanied by his family, is leaving Shanghai today via Siberia for Denmark on furlough. During his absence Monsieur Poul Scheel, Counsellor of Legation, will act as Chargé d'Affaires.

DURING March, the Public Library issued 6,796 books to subscribers, 4,878 of fiction and 1918 of non-fiction. 423 magazines were also issued. 4,998 persons made use of the reading rooms during the month. The Library now has 743 subscribers.

MR. C. B. Morrison is to be the speaker at the Rotary Club meeting this week, April 13 at the Metropole Hotel, 1st Floor, 12.15 p.m. His subject will be "Amateur Astronomy, The Birth of the Solar System."

IN sign of mourning for the late Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, Democrat of Illinois, the U.S. Senate Foreign Affairs Committee adjourned sittings on Monday. It was due to meet to continue its investigation into the problem of the United States' neutrality.

CANTON is now in the grip of a famine following a shortage of foodstuffs which are no longer purchaseable within the city, says a Hongkong Chinese message to the "Wen Wei Pao." Many people, the report adds, have perished from sheer starvation in the outlying areas of Canton, while robberies and pillaging of marauders are rampant.

THE Lungshan Wharves in Chinghai have been systematically destroyed by order of the Ningpo Garrison authorities since Sunday, says a report to the "Shun Pao." The Chinese defences along East Chekiang areas, the report adds, are now being strengthened. The conditions in those areas remain quiet and normal, the report states.

THE annual meeting and dinner of the Shanghai International Educational Association will be held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A., 123 Boulevard de Montigny at 7 p.m. on April 14. Dr. F. L. Hawks Pott has kindly consented to address the meeting, and the Tatung Music Club will render pieces of Chinese classical music. Members may make reservations for themselves and guests through Mr. H.C. Chen, Education Dept., S.M.C.

THE Shanghai Municipal Council health report for the week ending midnight, April 8, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Settlement were:—Foreigners 10 and Chinese 452. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, Tuberculosis 2, and Chinese Tuberculosis 26; Measles 6; Typhoid Fever 6; Cerebrospinal Fever 5; Diphtheria 4; Beri-beri 4 and Scarlet Fever 1.

THE board of directors of 54 persons, including Mr. Yeh Chu-tsang, Minister of Publicity of the Kuomintang, General Feng Yu-hsiang, Deputy Chairman of the Military Affairs Commission, Messrs. Shao Litze and Kuo Mo-jo, were elected new officers of the China Cultural Anti-Japanese Federation yesterday, says a Chungking report to the "Sin Wan Pao." Messrs. Yu Yu-jen, Wu Chih-hui, and Chen Li-fu were elected honorary directors, the report states.

THE promotion of the Three People's Principles, which are the "soul of China," was urged by Minister of War, General Ho Ying-chin, at the Sun Yat-sen Weekly Memorial Service held jointly by the Central Kuomintang and the National Government in Chungking on April 10, says the "Shun Pao." The service was attended by members of the Central Government, the presidents of the various Yuan and the heads of the various ministries, the report states.

THE health report of the French Municipality for the week ending April 8, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession were—Foreigners 4 and Chinese 210. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, Pneumonia 1. and Chinese, Tuberculosis 27; Pneumonia 7; Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 6; Cerebrospinal Meningitis 4; Smallpox 4; Diphtheria 3; Beri-beri 3; Measles 2 and Recurring Fever, Septicaemia, 1 each.

COMPRISING the principal members of the Federated Union of Japanese Ship-Builders, 12 dockyard magnates arrived in Shanghai on Monday afternoon in the Shanghai Maru on a combined business and sight-seeing tour of Shanghai, Nanking, and Tsingtao, the Japanese press reported yesterday. Headed by Mr. Tasuzo Ito, managing-director of the Mitsubishi Heavy Industry Company, the party was due to proceed to Nanking yesterday returning to Shanghai on Thursday. They will leave on Friday for Tsingtao where they will spend a day before returning to Japan, the papers stated.

THE programme for the twenty-fourth Sunday Symphony Concert in the Lyceum Theatre, on Sunday, April 16, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Brandenburger Concerto No. 6 ..Bach
(Concerto for the Violas)
Allegro moderato
Adagio ma non tanto
Allegro
Concerto Grosso (from Corelli Sonata) ....Leminiani
for String—Quartet
String and Clavicembalo
Grave—Allegro
Largo
Allegro
'Cello-Concerto in D with Orchestra
Haydn
Allegro Moderato
Adagio
Rondo
Soloist: J. Ulistein
Symphony in G minor ....Mozart
Allegro Molto
Andante
Menuetto—Allegretto
Finale—Allegro assai
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

United States to Propose Big Barter Deals for Rubber

Cotton and Wheat Surplus to Be Exchanged For British, Holland, Belgian Products

Washington, Apr. 10.

THE U.S. State Department will shortly propose to Britain, the Netherlands, Belgium and probably other countries, barter agreements for the large-scale exchange of surplus American cotton and wheat for rubber, tin and other products from the European countries and their colonies. Such was the gist of an important statement made today by Senator James F. Byrnes, Democrat of South Carolina, who added that such exchange transactions would permit not only the utilization of the United States' huge stocks of cotton and wheat, but also the creation of reserves of raw materials that the U.S. itself does not possess.

"According to such a programme—which was approved by the State and Agriculture Departments—the nations partipating in these barter deals would pledge themselves not to resell for five years the wheat and cotton that they would get from the United States and our colonies, unless world market prices surpass the figures fixed by agreement," Senator Byrnes stated. He specified that the State Department will forward its proposal within a few days. He hoped the foreign Governments would show themselves ready to increase their stocks of cotton and wheat.

He estimated that by means of the projected accords, some 2,000,000 bales of cotton would be exchanged for materials needed by the U.S. It was pointed out that the minimum reserve of rubber advocated by the U.S. Departments for War and Navy is 225,000 tons, valued at $85,000,000.

Senator Byrnes stated today that some officials of the War and Navy Departments believe that the U.S. should have extra stocks of 550,000 tons of rubber. Such a reserve, he concluded, would protect the country against the expected increase in rubber prices should war break out.

Senator Byrnes made his announcement today after a lengthy conference with the State Secretary, Mr. Cordell Hull, whose assent in principle he obtained to the scheme of barter agreements.

Assistance for Democracies

Well-informed quarters expressed the opinion that Senator Byrnes' project would be most advantageous for two reasons. It would firstly assist the democracies in stocking up war reserves and facilitate the export of wheat and cotton stocks from the United States. Secondly, the exchanged products would have to be stored for at least five years to prevent a decline in prices and dumping. It is believed, however, that this restriction will not apply to rubber.

The Senator announced that several of his colleagues would support the project. Regarding the possibility of the United States using stocks thus constituted in the event of war, Senator Byrnes stated that the question would be solved by an inevitable rise in world prices and this, in accordance with the provisions of the plan, would permit the utilization of the stocks.

State Department circles, commenting on the plan, were very much in favour of it. They stated that the Department would be ready to start discussions with foreign Governments as soon as President Roosevelt decides when it is time to do so.

These quarters stressed, however, that the project would make new legislation necessary while eventual bargain agreements with foreign countries will have to be sanctioned by Congress.—Havas.

Burglar Suspects In Court

Y.17,900 Theft is Charged Against Them; Six Women Among Gang

Seventeen burglar suspects, six of them women, were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on a writ of detention in connection with the theft of Yen 17,943.31 from a Japanese firm, Maru Kuku Mart at 237 Woosung Road, late on April 5. One of the men has confessed to the crime and Y.5,900 and more than $600 worth of jewellery have been recovered.

The ringleader of the gang was alleged to be a safe cracker well known to the police. It was further alleged that after breaking a window pane some thieves secured entrance into the store building and burst open a safe with the aid of chemicals. They took out all the contents in the safe and fled. Following clues obtained from the two suspects first caught by the Japanese consular police, the Settlement police carried out a series of raids on Monday in Connaught Road, Central Hotel, Canton Road and a lodging house in Chekiang Road where the suspects were rounded up.

Two other men stood trial in the same court yesterday in connection with a murder committed in Hongkew. A decapitated body of a male Chinese was found in Lane 843 Thorburn Road on March 6. They were remanded in custody pending further investigations. The motive of the crime is still a mystery.

The third case happened in Hongkew is that of arson for which Chiang Ah-hung, a servant was brought before the court also on a writ of detention. He was suspected of having set fire to a Japanese wine shop at 121 Quinsan Road on Monday morning. He was arrested at the request of the proprietor of the shop.

FUNERAL

M. Moise Mercier

The funeral took place at the Lokawei Cemetery yesterday afternoon of the late M. Moise Mercier, a member of the French Forces at present stationed in Shanghai. At St. Marie Hospital the coffin, which was draped with the French flag and on which rested deceased's cap and belt, was carried to the hearse by 1ere Soldats Yung, Keijean, Kopp, Boulaid, Leblond and Outhier. A cortege, comprising a large representation from the French Army, French Police and French Boy Scouts, was then formed and slowly wended its way to the Cemetery. At the graveside a short address was delivered by Capitaine Guigue the officer commanding the Company of which deceased was a member.

Among those sending wreaths were:

Capitains Guigue, Les Officiers, Sous-Officiers, Caporaux Chefs, Caporaux, Soldats et Tirailleurs du 2eme B.M.C. Les Officiers, S/Officiers, Caporaux Soldats et Tirailleurs du 1er B.M.C., Commandant L. Fabre Directeur des Services de Police, Le Capitaine les Sous Officiers, Caporaux Chefs, Caporaux et Soldats de la 2eme Compagnie, Le Personnel des Services de la Police Francaise, Caporaux Chefs, Caporaux, Soldats et Tirailleurs du B.M.I.C.C., etc.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs Thomas Macdonald & Co.

Japanese Policy Unchanged

Rights and Interests of Other Powers Respected Within Limitations

Tokyo, Apr. 11.

Solution of various problems pending between Japan and third Powers as a result of the China conflict, fairly and with as much rapidity as possible, was held necessary by the Premier, Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, in addressing the first conference of the Asia Development Board here yesterday.

The Prime Minister urged the directors of the Board's four liaison officers in China to "deal with the matter" with their "best efforts."

Baron Hiranuma reiterated the Government's policy of not infringing upon the rights and interests of third Powers in China.

"The Japanese Government," he further declared, "does not intend to prohibit or to restrict the economic activities of third Powers in China beyond the needs of national defence and other vital requirements."

Pointing out that the hostilities were still in progress in China, while Japan's relations with third party Powers were "very complicated," the Prime Minister expressed the wish to see the situation handled by the various Japanese authorities on the spot acting in close co-ordination.

Baron Hiranuma also reiterated the Government's determination to carry out the various policies to deal with the situation in China approved at an Imperial council held in Tokyo on November 30 last year. These, the Premier recalled, had been outlined in the statement of Prince Ayamaro Konoye, then Prime Minister, on December 22 last year.

"Diligent efforts," the Prime Minister said, would be necessary to bring about "peace and stability and the establishment of a new order in East Asia."—Domei.

Beggar Situation Investigated

Woman College Graduate is Found Among Them

The hostilities have thrown many people out of work and reduced them to beggars. If the rounded up beggars in the French Concession in Shanghai may be considered as a criterion for judging the beggar situation here only about 500 of the 1,000 now receiving the attention of the International Relief Committee are educated. Among the women beggars there is a graduate of a well-known college in Nanking.

Mr. Hsu Sheng-hwa, of the education department of the International Relief Committee, is reported to have stated that among the 1,000 beggars recently rounded up by the French police here about 500 are illiterate and one-fourth of them have received primary school education. Another quarter of them have had the privilege of being educated in middle schools and colleges. He is stated to have regretted that a lady college graduate has been found in the beggars' colony.

The department is investigating the reasons why these people have been begging so that it may carry out relief measures by giving them a practical education. The beggars are being cared for in the No. 2 Refugee Camp of the International Relief Committee. In an effort to clear many Concession streets of beggars, the French police have been arresting beggars and taking them to the camp during the past few days.

Chinese press reports indicate that these beggars are not such by profession. They were once refugees arriving here from neighbouring districts. Not being well acquainted with the local situation they have not been able to find jobs. This unfavourable situation and the increased cost of living have forced them to become beggars.

Prominent German, Italian, and Japanese residents of Shanghai will participate in a tripartite anti-Comintern function to be held under the auspices of the anti-Comintern Cultural Society of Shanghai at 9 o'clock next Saturday evening, the Japanese press reported yesterday. Due to last until early Sunday morning, the party will be featured by a dance contest on the ground floor of the Astor House Hotel, where the gathering is being held, the dailies stated. More than 800 persons are expected to attend.

State University for Nanking Planned

Medical College Will Be In Shanghai

Preparations for the opening of a State University at Nanking are making rapid progress, according to an announcement by the Education Ministry of the "Reformed Government," the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

For convenience, a College of Medicine will be established in Shanghai, while four other departments will be opened in Nanking, the daily stated.

A Department of Literature will be established within the city walls of Nanking, while Colleges of Science, Engineering, and Agriculture will be housed in the Nanking suburbs, according to the "Mainichi."

A monthly sum of $25,000 will be appropriated to meet the expenditures of each college, with the first students expected to matriculate next October, the Japanese journal said.

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	Tonnage	Leave Batavia 1939	Leave Singapore 1939	Arrive Genoa/Marseilles 1939
ms. Johan v. Oldenbarnevelt	19 000	May 3	May 5	May 23
ms. Dempo	17,000	May 10	May 12	May 30
ss. Johan de Witt	10,400	May 24	May 26	June 15
ms. Indrapoera	10,800	June 7	June 9	June 28
ms. Marnix v. St. Aldegonde	19,100	June 14	June 16	July 5
ms. Baloeran	17,000	June 21	June 23	July 12
ss. Jan Pieterszoon Coen	11,140	June 28	June 30	July 22
ms. Christiaan Huygens	15,700	July 5	July 7	July 26
ms. Sibajak	12,000	July 12	July 14	Aug. 2
ss. Slamat	11,600	July 19	July 21	Aug. 9
ms. Johan v. Oldenbarnevelt	19,000	July 26	July 28	Aug. 16
ms. Dempo	17,000	Aug. 2	Aug. 4	Aug. 23
ss. Johan de Witt	10,400	Aug. 16	Aug. 18	Sept. 7
ms. Indrapoera	10,800	Aug. 23	Aug. 25	Sept. 13
ms. Marnix v. St. Aldegonde	19,100	Sept. 6	Sept. 8	Sept. 26

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Date and Destination	*Per*		*Reg.*	*Ord.*
WEDNESDAY, April 12.				
Formosa via Keelung	Hukuken M.		*20.00	7.30
Tsingtao and Dairen	Dairen M.		8.00	8.30
Tsingtao and Tientsin	Sinkiang		13.30	14.00
H'kow Wuchang Hanyang	Sanwa M.		13.30	14.00
Amoy	Huashan M.		13.30	14.00
Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China	Asama M.		15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Asama M.		15.30	16.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Wenchow	Pelikan	X	18.30	19.00
Wenchow	C. Paolini		19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, April 13.				
Japan Korea Formosa (Y) via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.		*20.00	7.15
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Wingsang		*20.00	7.30
Kwangtung	Wingsang		*20.00	7.30
Japan H'lulu U.S.A. Canada Europe via Pacific	P. Coolidge	A	10.00	12.00
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Hunan		13.30	14.00
Aust. N.Z. and Europe (Y)	Oldenburg	B	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton ...	Oldenburg		15.30	16.00
FRIDAY, April 14.				
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Yatshing	X	7.30	9.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	Yatshing	X	8.30	9.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez and Europe via Suez ..	Ajax	C	14.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Ajax		15.30	16.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kiangsu	D	—	—
Wenchow	Elbhof		19.30	20.00
Swatow and Hongkong ...	Taiseunhong		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Taiseunhong		19.30	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Honolulu and U.S.A., closes at 16.00 on 12th.
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D Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 14th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcel mail only.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Asama Maru, on April 12, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on April 23, and London on April 24.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Ajax, on April 14, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due San Francisco on April 26.

Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Empress of Russia, on April 17, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on April 28, and London on April 29.

Neth (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Ajax, on April 14, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Amsterdam on April 30, and London on May 1.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service:—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary.

Domestic Air Mail

Air Mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close daily at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.)

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m. Express mails for Nanking and Chinkiang local close daily at 8.45 a.m.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for S.H.N.R. daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang by occasional sailings direct to Hankow.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Yungkia.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—

ss. President Coolidge, via Pacific, April 13, due London May 16.
ss. Ajax, via Suez, April 14, due London May 19.
ss. Hakozaki, via Suez, April 17, due London May 21.

Weather, Time and Tide

Wednesday, April 12, 1939 (23rd day of 2nd moon)	SICCAWEI April 10 16.00	April 10 21.00	April 11 4.00	April 11 9.00
Barometer inches at 32 F.	30.11	30.12	30.05	30.06
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	−0.11	−0.13	−0.15	−0.18
at 32 F. (,, ,, 12 hrs.)	−0.09	−0.12	−0.06	−0.06
Wind (direction)	ESE	E	ESE	ESE
,, (miles per hour)	14.3	12.4	12.4	16.2
Temperature (Fahr.)	62.4°	55.2°	56.8°	63.5°
Humidity %	75	89	93	80
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	6	10	8	8
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report April 10	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.17	−0.08	30.01
Temp. Min. 49.°3 Max. 67.°1	58.°2	+4.°3	54.°7
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	9.65	0.00	8.74

Time and Tide	12/4	13/4	14/4	15/4	16/4
Sun rises at Shanghai ..	5.32	5.30	5.28	5.27	5.26
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.20	18.21	18.21	18.22	18.22
Moon rises at Shanghai ..	0.49	1.28	2.04	2.38	3.11
Moon sets at Shanghai ..	11.47	12.40	13.32	14.25	15.18
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	16.50	5.28	6.55	8.12	9.00
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	9.10	10.56	12.15	12.42	13.15
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	6.29	8.18	9.35	10.15	10.35
Ht. above LLW. (feet)..	6.75	7.28	7.46	8.30	8.82

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Sygna, April 9, from **Chinwangtao**: Mr. G. C. Wallis, Mrs. D. Wallis, Miss M. Wallis, Mr. W. Sommer.

Per Kaiping, April 10, from **Chinwangtao**: Dr. & Mrs. A. C. Price, Mr. K. Beitzea.

DEPARTURES

Per Wosang, April 11, for **Tientsin and Ports**: Rev. Mothers, Reyntjen, Bouchaert, Maenhout, Rev. Fathers, De Ryck, Schiattarella, Mr. B. B. Talati, Miss N. D. Carson, Mr. & Mrs. K. S. Tsang & Inft.

Per shengking, April 11, for **Chefoo**: Mr. Lee, Mr. Sun, Mr. & Mrs. Stark, Mr. G. Abouchar, Mr. H. S. Railton, for **Tientsin**: Mr. Y. P. Pan, Mr. M. S. Wong, Mrs. Woo and child, Mr. K. C. Tau, Mr. M. Y. Duen, Miss Maytin, Mrs. E. Fynland Mr. M. C. Chu, Mr. W. C. Yang, Mr. S. C. Yih, Mr. & Mrs. Zao, Mr. Y. C. Wong, Mr. C. C. Chang, Mr. S. M. Chang, Mr. N. C. Feng, Dr. Del Fattore, Mr. & Mrs. Tcheng, Mr. C. A. Cornell, Miss Chen, Mrs. Zee, Mr. & Mrs. S. C. Kao, Madan Woo, Miss Woo, Mr. C. H. Fahs, Miss L. Tsai, Mrs. H. L. Horten.

Per Szechuen, April 12, for **Hongkong**: Lt. T. A. Davis, Capt. Graham, Mr. A. V. T. Dean, Mr. L. A. Whipps.

Per Tsinan, April 12, for **Hongkong**: Mr. C. T. Chow, Miss Pikins, Mr. Ng, Mrs. J. A. Farrell, Mr. J. O. Sun, Mrs. Farrell's 2 children.

The News of the Week

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Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From LOS ANGELES: Asama Maru, with mail, due 8 a.m., Wayside Wharf.

From MANILA: President Coolidge, with mail, due p.m., Buoys 11-12, Passengers expected at Customs Jetty 8.30 p.m.

From NAGASAKI: Nagasaki Maru, with mail, due 2-3 p.m., O. S. K. Wharf.

From HONGKONG: Yatshing, due 6.30 a.m., Roosevelt Terminal.
Kiangsu, due p.m., French Bund.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA		
Bellerophon	7/3	28/4
Antilochus	4/4	26/5
From COPENHAGEN		
Danmark	1/3	11/5
Africa	1/4	31/5
From OSLO		
Titania	17/2	13/4
Trianon	17/3	20/5
Nanking	28/3	22/5
From HAMBURG		
Regensburg	11/3	18/4
Gneisenau	18/3	21/4
From BREMEN		
Kulmerland	21/2	17/4
Nordmark	7/3	22/4
Duisburg	21/3	15/5
Sauerland	4/4	23/5
From ROTTERDAM		
Tamara	9/3	25/4
Nanking	4/4	19/5
Antilochus	12/4	26/5
Africa	12/4	31/5
From ANTWERP		
Franken	24/2	17/4
Abbekerk	20/2	15/4
Glenapp	18/2	16/4
Gleniffer	4/3	29/4
Lippe	23/3	9/5
Serooskerk	20/3	13/5
Glenshiel	18/3	14/5
Sauerland	11/4	23/5
Glenfinlas	1/4	27/5
From GLASGOW		
Menestheus	25/2	17/4
Agamemnon	25/3	14/5
Sarpedon	8/4	25/5
From LIVERPOOL		
Teiresias	25/2	14/4
Diomed	11/3	21/4
Aeneas	18/3	1/5
Pyrraus	25/3	9/5
Agamemnon	1/4	14/5
Achilles	8/4	21/5
From LONDON		
Carthage	10/3	16/4
Bangalore	4/3	17/4
Hakusan M.	17/3	24/4
Rajputana	24/3	30/4
Haruna M.	31/3	8/5
Glenshiel	1/4	14/5
Ranchi	6/4	14/5
Bhutan	1/4	15/5

From MARSEILLES		
J. Laborde	17/3	16/4
Haruna M.	7/4	8/5
Trianon	8/4	20/5
From GENOA		
C. B'camano	29/3	25/4
From TRIESTE		
Arabia	20/2	20/4
C. Rosso	12/4	7/5
Himalaya	20/3	9/5
From PORT SAID		
Danmark	2/4	11/5
Serooskerk	11/4	13/5
Bhutan	12/4	15/5
Duisburg	12/4	15/5
Lippe	9/4	9/5
From SUEZ		
Hakusan M.	31/3	24/4
Bellerophon	28/3	28/4
Gleniffer	30/3	29/4
From ADEN		
Rajputana	9/4	30/4
From BOMBAY		
C. B'camano	10/4	25/4
Melbourne M.	3/4	30/4
From KARACHI		
Mansei M.	10/4	8/5
From COLOMBO		
Gneisenau	10/4	21/4
Hakusan M.	10/4	24/4
Aeneas	11/4	1/5
From SINGAPORE		
Atlas M.	31/3	15/4
Glenapp	7/4	16/4
Kulmerland	4/4	17/4
Bangalore	8/4	17/4
Regensburg	7/4	18/4
Arabia	3/4	20/4
Diomed	12/4	21/4
Nordmark	12/4	22/4
From SOERABAIA		
Tjibadak	3/4	20/4
Tjinegara	7/4	22/4
From BATAVIA		
Tjibadak	6/4	20/4
From MANILA		
C. Athens	10/4	19/4
From SAIGON		
Franken	4/4	17/4
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK		
C. Athens	18/2	19/4
Ivaran	25/2	21/4
Malay Prince	9/3	24/4
Foylebank	6/3	27/4
Niel Maersk	10/3	27/4
Agapenor	27/2	28/4
Silversandal	23/3	7/5
Laura Maersk	25/3	10/5
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5
Dardanus	27/3	19/5
P. Maersk	8/4	25/5
Chi. Prince	11/4	27/5
From SAVANNAH		
Laura Maersk	30/3	10/5
Dardanus	1/4	19/5
From SANTOS		
Atlas M.	13/2	15/4
From VANCOUVER		
Emp. Russia	1/4	17/4
Talthybius	10/4	2/5
From SEATTLE		
Talthybius	2/4	2/5
From LOS ANGELES		
Ivaran	20/3	21/4

From LOS ANGELES		
Niel Maersk	1/4	27/4
Tatuta M.	27/3	29/4
From SAN FRANCISCO		
Malay Prince	28/3	24/4
Agapenor	26/3	28/4
Silversandal	11/4	7/5
From HONOLULU		
Tatuta M.	4/4	29/4
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		
From OTARU		
Somali	4/4	17/4
From YOKOHAMA		
Ajax	7/4	14/4
Hakozaki M.	9/4	17/4
From KOBE		
Oldenburg	5/4	13/4
Ajax	11/4	14/4
From NAGASAKI		
Shanghai M.	14/4	16/4
From KEELUNG (Formosa)		
Tyosa M.	15/4	17/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN		
Tegelberg	15/3	22/4
From DURBAN		
Atlas M.	14/3	15/4
From MOMBASSA		
Tegelberg	2/4	22/4
From MELBOURNE		
Nellore	4/3	13/4
Tanda	1/4	11/5

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		
Hoten M.	12/4	14/4
Hangsang	13/4	16/4
Talleyrand	5/4	18/4
Tjisaroea	16/4	18/4
From TIENTSIN		
Taiseunhong	8/4	13/4
Chaksang	10/4	15/4
Shuntien	13/4	16/4
Yusang	14/4	17/4
St. V. de Paul	14/4	18/4
Hsin Peking	16/4	20/4
Kwaisang	16/4	20/4
Wosang	16/4	20/4

From HONGKONG		
Nellore	10/4	13/4
Titania	6/4	13/4
Kwangtung	10/4	14/4
Teiresias	9/4	14/4
Abbekerk	10/4	15/4
Taisang	12/4	16/4
J. Laborde	12/4	16/4
Carthage	12/4	16/4
Menestheus	12/4	17/4
Taiyuan	13/4	18/4
Mingsang	16/4	20/4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

SINKIANG Apr. 12. TSINGTAO, TIENTSIN and DAIREN.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 12, at 4 p.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 12-4

HUNAN Apr. 13. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Thursday, April 13, at 4 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 13-4

KAIPING Apr. 13. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the steamer Kaiping, Capt. E. Muton, on Thursday, April 13, 1939, at daylight. For passage apply to the Agent, 30 Foochow Road. Tel. 11070. 12-4

YATSHING Apr. 14. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Buoys on Friday, April 14, at 11 a.m. Tender from Customs Jetty 10 a.m. Friday. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 14-4

TAISANG Apr. 18. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, April 18, at 10 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290 18-4

MINGSANG Apr. 22. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 22. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 22-4

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

WINGSANG Apr. 13. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 13, at 6 p.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson, & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 13-4

KIANGSU Apr. 15. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, April 15, at 9 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 15-4

TAISEUNHONG Apr. 15. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 15, at 8 a.m. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 14-4

KWANGTUNG Apr. 18. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Tuesday, April 18, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 18-4

TAIYUAN Apr. 20. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, April 20, at 10.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 20-4

YUSANG Apr. 20. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 20. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 20-4

KWAISANG Apr. 22. Swatow and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 22. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 22-4

JAPAN

NELLORE Apr. 16. (From Shanghai) MOJI, KOBE, OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428 (3 lines). 16-4

CARTHAGE Apr. 17. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 17-4

MENESTHEUS Apr. 18. KOBE, OSAKA, YOKOHAMA and OTARU.—For freight and passage apply Agent, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 18-4

STRAITS AND EUROPE

OLDENBURG Apr. 14. GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS—(Captain C. Dempwolf), on or about April 14, 1939. For freight and passage, please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 14-4

AJAX Apr. 15 MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 15-4

SOMALI Apr. 18. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, LONDON, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM and ANTWERP via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—For Freight Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 18-4

TALLEYRAND Apr. 18. CASABLANCA, DUNKIRK, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID.—Motor vessel Talleyrand of the Wilhelmsen lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about April 18, for the above-mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Company, L'td., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 18-4

CANTON Apr. 25. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, April 24, Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 25-4

JEAN LABORDE Apr. 25. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 French Bund. Tel. 82034. 25-4

AUSTRALASIA

NELLORE Apr. 16. (From Shanghai) RABAUL, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via JAPAN and PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 16-4

CHANGTE Apr. 18. (From Hongkong) MANILA, THURSDAY I., CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE. For freight and passage apply A.-O. Line Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 18-4

Vessels Discharging

SILVERTEAK. The m.v. Silverteak, from United States and way Ports.—The vessel is now discharging all her cargo (except Opium and Munition of War) at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. (Consignees of bulk cargo, will further be required to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed). All claims against this vessel must be sent within fourteen days from date of vessel's arrival, or they will not be recognised. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of cargo. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Monday, April 17, at 9 a.m., when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will attend. Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. 14-4

ABBEKERK. The H.E.A.L. ss. Abbekerk, from Bremen, Hamburg, Antwerp, Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Genoa arrived on the 12th instant, and is discharging her cargo at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bs/L for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees. All claims against this steamer must be sent in within 10 days after arrival otherwise they will not be recognised. Damaged cargo will be examined at above Wharf by Messrs. Scurr, Tanner & Co. on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 9.30 a.m. It is necessary to produce Bills of Lading also Shippers Invoice at the examination. Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., General Agents: Holland-East Asia Line, 133 Szechuen Road. (Tel. Nos. 16247 (4) Lines). 15-4

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	*From*	*Consignees*
Hunan	Hongkong	B.&S.
Com. Paolini	Wenchow	I.C.R.N.
Pelikan	Wenchow	Reuter B.
Joh. Justesen	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Festa	Wenchow	Shang Fa
Matumoto M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Hukoku M.	Tsingtao	Showa S.
Tsokwang	Wenchow	A.P.C.
Keian M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Don Joao	Wenchow	C.A.S.S.
Rota	Wenchow	Inter. Nav.
Porto	Foochow	Inter Nav.
Naruto M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Don Luis	Wenchow	C.A.S.S.
Katie Moller	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
M. Margarida	Wenchow	Maria S.N.
Dragao	Wenchow	P.S.N.
Liwo	Chitung	Jardine
Luise	Hsinkong	Keh Lee
Whangpu	Hsinkong	B.&S.
Dairen M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Murasaki M.	Japan	Y.K.K.
Silverteak	Manila	J.C.J.L.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	*Flag*	*Despatcher*
Silksworth	Br.	Y.K.K.
Lipari	Ital.	C.I.N.
Ave-Maria	Port.	Ta Lung
Haikong	Ger.	Keh Lee
Kiangting	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Wusueh	Br.*	B.&S.
Suiwo	Br.	Jardine
Heini	Ger.	G.F.E.
Talien	Jap.	Wan Woo
Chekiang M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Tejo	Port.	I.C.R.N.
Liesel	Ger.	Ta Lung
Isabel Moller	Br.	K.M.A.
Chingning M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Morioka M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Fausang	Br.	Jardine
Taiyo M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Hanwo	Br.	Jardine
Shanghai M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Shunwo	Br.	Jardine
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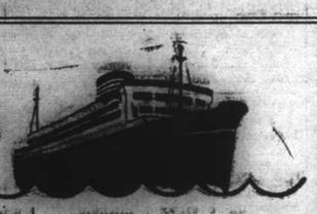

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From Kobe
HIE MARU ..... Apr. 12

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via Los Angeles and Panama
NOZIMA MARU .... Apr. 27

Japan-Australia Line
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From Hongkong
KITANO MARU .... Apr. 29

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HAKOZAKI MARU .. Apr. 18
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Kobe Express Service
TAIYO MARU ..... Apr. 21
TAIYO MARU ..... May 10

Nagasaki Express Service
*NAGASAKI MARU .. Apr. 13
SHANGHAI MARU .. Apr. 16
NAGASAKI MARU .. Apr. 18
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HAKUSAN MARU .... Apr. 26
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A	HECTOR	Apr. 29	M'lles, London, Rotterdam and Glasgow
C	AGAPENOR	May 4	Liverpool, Bromborough and Glasgow
B	MENESTHEUS	May 13	M'lles, Casablanca, London, R'dam, H'burg and Glasgow
A	ÆNEAS	May 27	M'lles, London, Rotterdam and Glasgow.

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Vessels due and Sailings to Japan, North China, etc.

		From	Due	Sails	For
C	TEIRESIAS	Liverpool	Apr. 14	Apr. 15	Japan
B	MENESTHEUS	Liverpool	Apr. 17	Apr. 18	Japan
B	DIOMED	Liverpool	Apr. 21	Apr. 22	Japan Ports
C	AGAPENOR	New York	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	Japan
	BELLEROPHON	Gdynia	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	Taku, Dairen and Japan
A	ÆNEAS	Liverpool	May 1	May 2	Tsingtao Taku and Dairen
C	TALTHYBIUS	Pacific Coast	May 2	May 5	Hongkong
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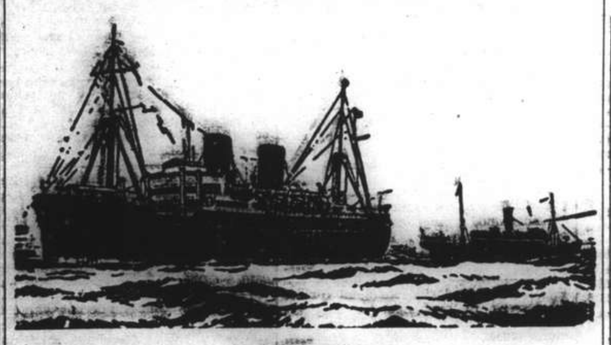

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					May 8	May 9
May 12	May 15	May 17		May 20	May 22	May 23
May 26	May 29	May 31		June 3	June 5	June 6

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mv. KULMERLAND	Left Colombo	Apr. 2	Apr. 17
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ss. FRANKEN	Left Saigon	Apr. 4	Due S'hai	Apr. 17
ms. REGENSBURG	Left Singapore	Apr. 7	,, ,,	Apr. 18
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Empress of Canada	Apr. 16	May 3	Duchess of Bedford	May 12	May 19
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Empress of Asia	May 27	June 15	Duchess of Atholl	June 23	June 30
Empress of Canada	June 11	June 28	Duchess of Bedford	July 7	July 14
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PRESIDENT CLEVELAND	May 8	PRESIDENT TAFT	June 19

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Japan to Welcome U.S.S. Astoria

Elaborate Programme Announced; Special Appreciation Shown

Tokyo, Apr. 11.

Greeted by an exchange of 21-gun salutes as she enters Yokohama harbour, the U.S.S. Astoria, bearing the ashes of the late Mr. Hirosi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador in Washington, is expected to arrive in Yokohama at 9 a.m. on April 17, it was announced here yesterday.

In a joint announcement issued by the Ministries of Navy and Foreign Affairs, the exchange of salutes between the U.S.S. Astoria and H.I.J.M.S. Kiso will open an official programme to honour the officers and crew of the American cruiser.

Following an exchange of courtesy calls between the officers of the two vessels, Capt. R. K. Turner, commander of the American cruiser, will pay official visits to the Governor of Kanagawa Prefecture, the Mayor of Yokohama, and the Commissioner of the Yokohama Customs. These will be returned by the officials aboard the Astoria later.

Ceremonial Delivery of Ashes

With the completion of these visits in the forenoon of April 17, a ceremony in connection with the delivery of the late Mr. Saito's ashes will take place aboard the Astoria, beginning at 1.15 p.m. when both the Kiso and the Astoria will fire a 19-gun salute in honour of the former Ambassador. After these ceremonies, the Astoria will dock alongside the Yokohama quay at 3.30 o'clock.

A welcome dinner in honour of Capt. Turner and the officers of the Astoria is set aboard the Kiso at 7 p.m.

Funeral services for the late Ambassador will be held under the auspices of the Foreign Office according to Buddhist rites at the Hongganji Temple, Tsukiji, Tokyo, at 11.20 a.m. on April 18. Capt. Turner will pay visits to the American Embassy, the Navy and Foreign Ministries in Tokyo on the same afternoon.

Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, U.S. Ambassador to Japan, will entertain at a dinner party in honour of Capt. Turner in the evening.

An elaborate programme of entertainment and sight-seeing in Tokyo for the officers and crew of the Astoria will follow on April 19 and 20 under the auspices of the Tokyo Municipality, followed by a garden party on April 21. Other civic bodies in Tokyo will entertain them during the following three days.

Gaimusho Statement

Simultaneously with the official programme announcement, the Foreign Office committee preparing the funeral arrangements for the late Ambassador issued a message stating:

"We are deeply moved to hear that the American Government has taken pains to point out to the officers and the crew of the U.S.S. Astoria, that in view of the mission of the vessel on this occasion, which differs widely from an ordinary courtesy call, they should refrain from accepting private gifts or invitations to banquets so that they may join, in a solemn spirit, in the mourning for the late Ambassador.

"The Foreign Office, in drawing up the programme for the reception of the American vessel, has endeavoured to harmonize the spirit of condolence shown by the United States with the enthusiastic wish of the Japanese people to extend a warm welcome to the U.S.S. Astoria and her crew, in an effort to reply to the friendliness shown by the American people.

"It is expected that a joint welcome meeting by various civilian organizations will be held in Okuma Hall in Waseda University for the entire personnel of the U.S.S. Astoria."

Capt. Turner will be "at home" on the cruiser on April 25, after which the vessel is scheduled to leave Yokohama the following day for Shanghai, en route home.—Domei.

Many Buildings Under Construction Here

P.W.D. Report Reveals 563 Blocks Being Built

During last month there were 563 blocks of buildings under construction in the city, 381 plans were submitted for approval and 192 plans were approved, the report of the Public Works Dept., S.M.C., for March reveals. The report adds that valuation of blocks of buildings for assessment purposes totalled 174, while 7,995 inspections were carried out by inspectors.

At the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, No. 45 MacLeod Road, work is proceeding on extensions to the Patients Block to provide additional kitchen facilities, including a vegetable preparation room and pantry, the report continues.

General repairs to buildings which were damaged during the hostilities in Shanghai were carried out during the month as follows:

- Sungpan Road Market, No. 10 Sungpan Road.
- Woochow Road Market, No. 290 Wuchow Road.
- Pingliang Market, No. 480 Pingliang Road.
- Primary School for Chinese, Kinchow Road.
- Nieh Chih Kuei Public School for Chinese, Kinchow Road.
- Northern Sewage Treatment Works.
- Municipal Gaol, Ward Road.
- Hongkew Park—Store and Lavatory Block.

Work is still in progress at the following buildings:

- Wayside Market, No. 153 Chusan Road.
- Municipal Gaol—Chinese Section.

Russian Doctor Dies Of Poisoning

Dr. Vladimir Doubovsky, 70-year-old Russian dentist who on Friday last was admitted to the Russian Orthodox Hospital on Route Say Zoong, after having taken an overdose of Veronal, died yesterday morning, without having regained consciousness.

The deceased was found in his rooms at No. 834A Avenue Joffre and a search of the premises revealed a letter written by him in which he stated that he intended to commit suicide, without however giving any reason for his decision. Dr. Doubovsky leaves a widow.

Mr. Hans Baer

Recital at American Women's Club

Hans Baer, who will give a piano concert at the American Women's Club this evening, comes from a musical family. His father was the manager of the Berlin Conservatoire, and also his son's first teacher. Well qualified to teach, he was a pupil of the Court pianist, Lina Schmalhausen, herself a pupil of Franz Liszt.

Hans Baer at the early age of twelve was a "wonderchild," performing at large concerts all over Germany. He was widely acclaimed by both public and press. He continued studying for many years, however, at the Stern Conservatoire in Berlin. He also studied with Prof. Arthur Schnabel in Berlin, and later gave concerts with the Philharmonic Orchestra in Berlin and with other orchestras all over Germany and Europe, being highly successful for many years.

Hans Baer is the winner of the Bach prize in Berlin, awarded to the best pianist of that city. At the recital tonight he will play some of his own compositions, being a composer of note besides a virtuoso of the piano.

Neutrality Hearings to Begin in Washington

Representatives Prepare To Give Opinions

Washington, Apr. 11.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee this morning will start hearings on proposed amendments to the present neutrality act. Mr. Sol Bloom, Democratic Representative of New York, will preside over the hearings.

A dozen Representatives who have introduced bills and amendments dealing with neutrality have been invited to testify. Mr. Louis Ludlow Democratic Representative of Indiana, and Mr. Hamilton Fish, Republican Representative of New York, will testify today.

The Senate Foreign Relations committee will resume hearings on the same issue on Thursday. The committee is attempting to expedite the hearings as much as possible in view of the fact that the "cash and carry" provisions of the present neutrality law expire on May 1.—United Press.

Reich Claims Colonies In South America

U.S. "Business Week" Makes Allegation

New York, Apr. 10.

A map printed in Germany and indicating that the Reich claims colonies in South America, was reproduced today in the weekly magazine, "Business Week."

Accompanying notes quoted the Reich's leaders as stating, "We have the right to colonies." It added that they recall that Trinidad and Tobago were peopled by settlers who came from the Duchy of Kurland on the Baltic in the seventeenth century.

With regard to Venezuela, the notes recalled that a German family, coming from Augsburg, settled in that country in the sixteenth century. The names of Trinidad, Tobago and Venezuela were therefore printed in on the map in gothic letters, stressing their "Germanic character."—Havas.

Shanghai Back to Normal After Holidays

Shanghai's business houses reopened their doors yesterday to employees after the Easter holiday which was celebrated with enthusiasm.

Local steamers did a thriving business as many vacationists spent the week-end in trips to the Yangtze Estuary, and House-boats were in evidence at Gough Island where cottage owners report that the surrounding countryside is quiet and green.

Nature has a way of keeping regular seasons in spite of the international situation, and the countryside is donning spring robes with an alacrity which is nothing short of impertinent. Grass grows just as easily in a shell hole as it does on the front lawn, and the birds do not seem to differentiate between the branches of a tree and the lonely chimney of a ruined house when they choose a spot to nest.

Wounded Kidnapper Remanded

Indicted on a charge of attempted kidnapping, Wu Ching-sen, a middle-aged Chinese, was arraigned before the First Special District Court yesterday and remanded in custody for a week pending further investigations. He admitted that he had taken part in the attempted kidnapping with two other men who are at large.

Wu, it will be recalled, was shot in the chest during an attempt to snatch Ho Liang-chong, son of a wealthy merchant, in Lane 1112 off Yu Yuen Road on March 18. The intended victim was leaving a house in a private motor car which kidnappers tried to stop. There was an exchange of shots between Ho's bodyguards and the kidnappers and as a result Wu was wounded.

Children's League Bazaar

Annual M. C. L. Function To Be Held on May 20; Local Needs Urgent

For many years past one of the big charitable events has been the annual bazaar of the local branch of the Ministering Children's League. This year the date chosen is Saturday, May 20, when the Bazaar will be held at the Shanghai Race Club by kind permission of the Chairman and Stewards.

The Ministering Children's League was first founded in England by the late Countess of Meath in 1895 with the idea of encouraging children to take an interest in their less fortunate brothers and sisters. Beyond this the League has no special aim, and branches which have been formed all over the world may work for local charities as well as keep in touch with the parent association by donations to the M.C.L. Homes. In Shanghai a branch of the M.C.L. was founded nearly 20 years ago. Some of the money in past years was sent home to the M.C.L. Cots in various hospitals, but now, since there is so much distress and poverty in Shanghai itself, the entire fund is kept for local distribution. The Branch does not undertake charitable work itself and so the money collected at the annual bazaar is divided between various charity organizations in Shanghai.

How Money Is Divided

There are many societies which receive money from the M.C.L. One of these is the Providence School, St. Joseph's Convent, which for over 50 years was the only home for foreign children in Shanghai, until latterly some Russian Schools have been founded. The Convent supports over 130 children of all ages from two years old, and trains them to earn their own living. Another large donation is always made to the King's Daughters' Society, whose work for foreign children is so well known. The Children's Refuge, on Brenan Road, also receives a donation. This refuge gives a home to 260 or more Chinese children, most of whom have been rescued from starvation or cruelty. The Institution for the Chinese Blind is another beneficiary, as is also the Institution for the Chinese Deaf. One of the major donations from the M.C.L. goes to the Social Service Board of the British Women's Association, which cares for British women and children in want in Shanghai.

These charities are only a few of those both among foreigners and Chinese which receive help from the M.C.L., and it is hoped that the charitably-minded will realize that the M.C.L. funds go to causes which are well worthy of their continued support through attendance at the annual bazaar.

In charge of the M.C.L. affairs this year are Mrs. G. E. Marden as president; Mrs. E. E. Parsons as hon. treasurer; Mrs. F. H. E. Skyrme as hon. secretary; Lady Maze and Mesdames Bourne, Butt, Francis, Fryer, Gwyn, Ham, Hopkins, Keswick, Kitson, Leith, Lillie, Ogilvie and Riggs.

Two More Detained Ships Reach Yangtszepoo

One Thousand Passengers Still Held at Woosung

Two more of the nine steamers flying Portuguese flags which were detained by the Japanese authorities outside Woosung on suspicion that they were not properly licensed were allowed to sail to Yangtszepoo yesterday under escort of Japanese war vessels, thus bringing up the total number of the detained boats allowed to return to Shanghai to three according to reliable Chinese sources.

One of the detained boats sailed to Yangtszepoo during the week-end and all its passengers were allowed to go ashore, but it could not be ascertained yesterday whether or not the passengers aboard the other two steamers arriving at Yangtszepoo were allowed to land. It would appear that the Japanese authorities would like to make thorough investigations before the passengers are allowed to be free.

There were about 1,000 passengers detained aboard the remaining six steamers outside Woosung. Although they were said to have been adequately supplied with food, Chinese evening reports yesterday expressed the hope that they would soon be allowed to enjoy freedom.

The Portuguese Consular authorities in Shanghai were reported to have made formal representations yesterday, which they could not do during the Easter holidays. It was understood that the Portuguese authorities would first try to secure freedom for the passengers.

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